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ENGLAND'S NEGRO DIVINE.

Utterly Opposed to African Migration—Mrs. McCoy's

Lecture Referred to—An Important Suggestion—Should be Responded to Regardless of Denomination.

EDITOR OF THE FREEMAN:

As a lonely representative of my race on this side of the Atlantic, you can imagine with what pleasure I look forward to and hail the arrival of the mail bringing by correspondence and printed matter information of the doings of my brethren in the world's great Republic. To any of your subscribers at home who value The Freeman and fail to receive it promptly, it must be very disappointing, but to me it is exceptionally so, and on such occasions I must plead guilty to a slight ebullition of feeling.

I have no desire to flatter or give praise where it is not due, but I am justified in saying that The Freeman is, in our opinion, our best race journal, hence my desire to obtain it regularly. I have so far found it to record faithfully what transpires, and speak fearlessly, yet judiciously, upon all matters of race interest; and as a race, we want more of The Freeman spirit put into all our literary dishes, so that those who eat thereof may "laugh and grow fat." I mean fat in wisdom, for no one can overestimate the power of the press, but unfortunately there is a tendency on the part of some of our editors to pull down rather than build up. This is to be deplored. We can safely leave all such unworthy business in the hands of our white enemies, and utilize our press to a much better advantage. A much greater influence by newspaper agency would be exerted in the way of education and a strong line of defense formed against our opponents, if editors recognized more fully the advantage of unity on all great principles.

Refering to The Freeman, an English friend, who occasionally reads it and other colored American papers, remarked that Editor Sweeney, as a writer, was capable of "hitting the nail right square on the head and driving it home without fracturing the wood." I take this remark as meaning energy, ability and good judgment. This your subscribers, like myself, will be quite prepared to endorse. I find I am digressing from what I intended as the subject of my letter.

In your Christmas number, which contained such a beautiful and well executed collection of portraits, with biographical sketches of Indianapolis celebrities, I was much interested with the short account of the life of Mrs McCoy, and more particularly with the report of a lecture she recently delivered on Liberia. If there is the slightest gleam of hope in the minds of the projectors of Liberian emigration of booming their scheme, and bringing it to a successful issue, Mrs. McCoy's statements should be powerful enough to dispel all further hope and bury the matter forever in oblivion. If there are any of our people looking with longing eyes to what has been called the Liberian land of promise, I say to them as a brother, desirous of their welfare more than my own fame or position that any amount of money can bring me, which I might receive by promoting such a scheme, by all that is good and holy cease at once your longings, abandon forever such a delusion, read and ponder over what a sister of your race has said of the deadly miasmia, cruel misery, privation and almost certain death which awaits those who cast their lots on its unhospitable shores. Every word Mrs. McCoy has uttered can be supported and corroborated by all the well-known writters and travelers, who describe that section of the coast as one of the most pestilential portions of Africa.

In addition to the overwhelming evidence that lady gives as to the unsuitableness of that country for the Afro American, I note she does not give a very cheering account of missionary work The inference I draw from her remarks is that little progress is being made in that direction. I have long held the opinion that our people are not justified in going abroad to seek converts until we have set our own house in order at home, and I regard it as mistaken Christianity and philanthropy to neglect the claims of those in our own midst. We should first push the moral and intellectual education of our own people, and use all the means we can obtain for that purpose, always keeping in view the adage, "charity begins at home."

If, however, the A. M. E. Church, with its large membership and great wealth, feels that it should do something for Liberia, why not act upon the advice of Livingstone, who was undoubtedly the greatest and most self-sacrificing missionary that ever visited the Dark Continent, and let native agency alone do the work. My friends, the initial step has already been taken and the example already set by the arrival in the United States of Wesley Pitman from Liberia, and his ultimate location at Normal, Ala. The courageous determination of the lad to get an education and know more of the saving power of the gospel gives bright hopes for the future, and before he leaves the hands of our worthy brother, Prof. Councill, he will doubtless be equipped with a moral and intellectual armor which will enable him to make mighty conquests in his own land. The arrival of the boy under such peculiar circumstances would incline us to believe that the Almighty had specially designed that he should be an instrument in His hands to show our people how to do real missionary work, and send the glorious gospel of Christ with all its fullness to the benighted tribes of Liberia. Let us then not disregard the lesson taught us, but recognize the hand of God leading us on to better and more successful methods of doing his work—

"Our hearts will then in glad surprise to higher
levels rise."

I have no desire to dictate to my brethren of the A. M. E. Church, but claiming to be a soldier of Christ's army, it is my duty to be ever on the alert to take advantage of anything that will add to the glory of my Captain's cause, therefore I make bold to shout out and call attention to what I see.

Brethren, a grand opportunity presents itself of achieving a great victory in Liberia—not by inducing our people to go there, not by sending our missionaries to reside for a time, and in all probability die, causing thereby an unnecessary waste of human life, but by selecting a number of eligible youths from the Golas, Vies and Kroos, bringing them over to be educated, in such institutions as Tuskegee and Normal, and returning them to do battle with the ignorance and superstition of their people.

As an example, let thirty of the most wealthy churches (I care not of what denomination) undertake to support a student each, taking ten candidates from each tribe, each of whom, I am given to understand, would be taken to America, and when educated returned to Africa again, at the expense of Alfred Jones of Liverpool. He is a great friend to the African. Taking this view of the subject, the cost would be but little, if any, more than is now spent by copying the white man's blundering method, and in a very short time the marvelous effect would be seen on the people of Liberia.

Let this year be a progressive one in the development of the intellectual and moral condition of the race. Let us lay aside all feelings of jealousy and recrimination, and everything that tends to check our advancement, and when the record of our year's work comes to be taken and entered upon the tablets of time for the future guidance of the race, it will be found one of the most eventful years in the history of a struggling people pressing forward to the consummation of all their hopes.

Yours, with bright hopes for the future,

PETER STANFORD,
England's Colored Preacher.

Birmingham, Eng., Jan. 25, 1895.

ODD FELLOWS RECEPTION.

An Interesting Program Rendered—A New Band Organized.

Georgetown, S. C., Special.

The members of Georgetown Union Lodge, No. 3,555, G. U. O. of O. F. gave a grand reception on Thursday evening last, in honor of Mr. Tate, M. V. P., of Ohio. The lodge room was beautifully decorated with flags, buntings and pictures, and presented a beautiful appearance. Mr. W. E. Burton presided at the organ, and furnished the music, Mr. Z. D. Green made the welcome address to which Mr. Tate responded. Rev. W. P. Carolina, pastor of the Bestine A. M. E. Church also spoke. The following popular ladies constituted the committee: Mrs. L. Myers, Mrs. M. M. Burton, Mrs. Cathrine Vanderhorst, Miss D. A. Cooper, Miss D. A. Brockington and Miss E. N. Allston. The following ladies were present: Mrs. L. Myers, Mrs. C Vanderhoist, Mrs. M. M Burton, Miss D. A. Cooper, Miss D. A. Brockington, Mrs. Emma J. McCottrie, Miss Mary J. Johnson, Miss Annie Richardson, Miss Jannie Richardson, Miss E. M. Dunmore Miss Lizzie Fiall, Miss J. M. Wilson, Miss Delia Mayhames also Messrs Rev. W. P. Carolina, Z. D. Green, Esq, R. B. Anderson, Esq, M. W. Myers, L. A. Wineglass, Jno. B. Washington, W. H. Howard, J. R. Lesesne, Ben Hogar, G. R. Wilson, Daniel Myers, W. E. Burton, L. Alfred Allston, Sam Johnson, R. Jackson, Ben Walker, Prof. A. E. A. Peets, J. B. Brockington, J. J. Burton, Edward Alston, J. M. Pyatt and S. Augustus Walker, The Freeman's agent and correspondent,

Miss S. A. Jondon has closed her school at Summit. Miss Jannie Richardson is home again. Mr. Z. D. Green attended the Republican convention at Columbia this week. Mr. Augustus Wineglass went to Charleston last week. Mr. R. D. Henderson, J. H. Baxter and I E. Herriott are candidates for the Constitutional Convention. Mr. W. M. Huggins has a neat barber shop. Some of the young lady friends of the new band, gave a festival on Monday evening last to assist them in paying for their instruments. The Howard school's entertainment was a success and I am glad to know that many of our prominent white citizens were present, and saw for themselves that the Negro is rising.

Thirty Conversions.

Vincennes, Md., Special.

The A. M. E. church under the pastorate of Rev. A. L. Murry closed the protracted effort Sunday, Feb. 3rd, with thirty conversions. Elders Morris Lewis, Nathaniel Jones, of Evansville, and Elder Robinson, of Lawrenceville, Ill., assisted. It is to be contended more than ever that life and righteous living, caps the climax. Such a man is destined to elevate the morals of a people in any community, and is a blessing to all. His standing with all of the ministers and churches of the city is the very highest. Respectfully WM L. PERRY, M. D.

A Helpless Invalid.

Metropolis, Ill., Special.

Mrs. Nannie Byrd, of Chicago, is in the city visiting friends. John Boone, an invalid for some time, is now helpless. Miss H B. Cobb is convalescent. Rev. S. Hutchinson, of the Tennessee Conference, is a visitor to the city. Rev. J. H. Smith made his usual monthly visit to the Bottom church last Sunday. The schools were dismissed a few days last week in Brooklyn, in consequence of the cold weather.

DOUGLASS IN ENGLAND.

His Portrait as Shown by Mr. Richings Evokes

Great Applause—The Two Ladies who Purchased His Freedom Still Living—Mr. Riching's Good Work.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

If you wish and have space you might give your readers a few facts given in this letter. I think of all the interesting meetings that I have had in England, some of the most interesting have taken place within the last two weeks. On the 23rd inst., I spoke in a large hall to a large audience at New Castle-on-Tyne. My chairman was an old man of great prominence as a pastor of one of the largest Methodist churches. His name is Potts. In presenting me he spoke in a most feeling way of my visit to England in the interest of the race. I felt sure that after such an introduction my talk and views would be well received. I started with a picture of Harriet Beecher Stowe, then John Brown followed by Frederick Douglass, and when that grand old face came on the sheet the hall seemed to shake with applause.

I fully expected his picture to be well received but I was not prepared for such an ovation as it received. I knew there must be some reason for this unusual outburst, and so there was as I found at the close of the lecture when I reached the home of Mr. David Richardson where I was entertained. I think I should say that his home is one of the finest and best furnished houses I have ever had the pleasure to step in. While we were at our supper which is served in an English home at from nine to ten p. m. I asked why Mr. Douglass had such a warm welcome in New Castle?

"Why," said Mr. Richardson, "It was here that two ladies purchased him his freedom before the war." Although quite aged they are both living and much interested in the progress of the race. I found that they are related to Mr. Richardson and both bear the same name. When Mr. Douglass was in England the last time he was entertained at this same home, and it made me indeed happy to see how proud these people seemed to have had such a great man as Mr. Douglass in their home as a guest. I am told that the ladies who raised the funds to obtain Mr. Douglass his freedom say that they regarded that the best investment of their lives.

I went from New Castle to Great Ayton where I found another surprise for me. I lectured at that point in a large school room. The school was founded many years ago by Mr. Geo. Dixon. When our late war was over and the colored people given their freedom this good man felt it his duty to come to the states and assist in starting schools for the race. He began his work in North Carolina the same year the war closed, and when things were quite warm for any white man that came to teach these recently enslaved people. Mr. Dixon had charge of the work both in North Carolina and Virginia. One of the interesting things connected with his work is the fact that a part of Salisbury, N. C., where most of the colored people live is called Dixonville and takes its name from Mr. Dixon who started the first school the colored people had then at the close of the war. He married a dear good lady from near Boston who was then a teacher at Danville, Va. In later years they worked at Hampton Institute under Gen. Armstrong. But when old age comes as it does to all of us, these good people came to spend the remainder of their lives at his former home here in England.

You can all see what a great pleasure it must have been to be a guest in their home. We sat up until very late talking over theirs and my own work. I found that many of their former scholars were warm friends of mine and some of them very prominent people. They both thought my visit very useful and timely as it helped to verify what they had said often about the power and ability of the race to receive an education. I am still having fine meetings in other parts of England, and quite sure that many friends are being made for the race. I am not as yet able to say how much longer I shall remain in England.

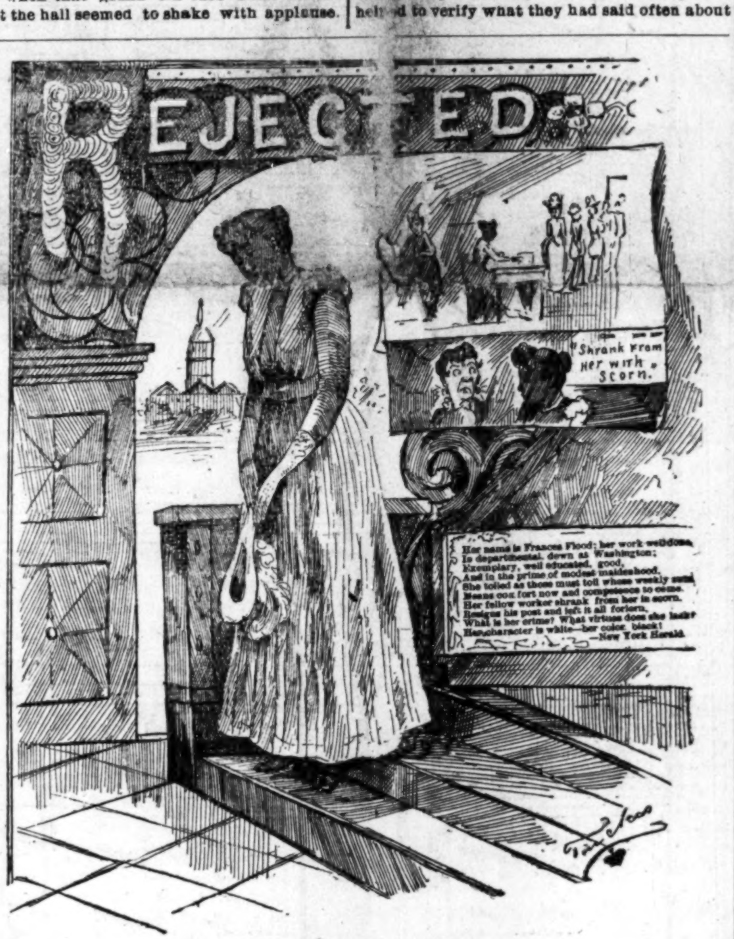
Yours truly,
G. F. RICHINGS.

Birmingham, England.

Teachers' Association Will Meet.

Gainesville, Tex., Special.

Rev. B. M. Stradford has left for Morgan park Theological College. Miss Mattie Logwood, of Ardmore, is in the city. Mrs. L. P. Gould is in the city. Mrs. R. L. Foreman of Marietta, is in the city. Buy The Freeman from Ira Carr. Miss Alice Burton was married to T. H. Hedrick, of Dallas, last Monday night. Prof. Ransom Barnes has sent out the programs for the Teachers' Association at Austin, June 11th. B. B. Jarrett has exployed Mylus Jones as clerk. A. Patterson has sold his interest in the Lindsay barber shop. Sam Minters is on the sick list Tom Lawrence has purchased a lot from Thornton Baker. W. Crawford was called to the bedside of his sick mother at Denton. Rev. D. A. Amos reports his charge as being in an excellent condition. Mesdames Annie Spikes and Hattie Hendrix are doing nicely in the millinery work. Mrs. Jennie Craiggs was elected treasurer of the Mosiac Temple. The Misses Coffee are on the sick list.


REJECTED
"Shrank from her with Scorn."
Her name is Frances Flood; her work well done,
Is departmental, down at Washington;
Exemplary, well educated, good,
And in the prime of modest maidenhood.
She toiled as those must toil whose weekly ...
Means comfort now and competence to come.
Her fellow worker shrank from her in scorn,
Resigns his post and left it all forlorn.
What is her crime? What virtues does she lack?
Her character is white—her color, black!
—New York Herald.

WHEN WILL IT END?

We may well ask, when will it end, this disposition upon the part of the authoritative, dispensing, classes of this country (the Caucasian) to REJECT, upon most occasions, without color of right, justice or equity, the youth of the race, in their efforts to obtain honest employment, that the paths of idleness may be shunned, and their lives blossom forth a glory and a credit, both to race and country. Some years ago, when the young colored lady above, FRANCES FLOOD was REJECTED by the chief of a great government department, because of her color, the world was given a striking illustration of the colored man's circumscribed opportunity in America to compete even for a living. The changing influence of time upon the one hand, the Negro's continuous and growing worthiness upon the other, will eventually produce a panacea for our wrongs; but until that time we must contribute to one another as best we can, those AIDS and HELPS denied us by the whites. We sometimes rail against the NEGRO SCHOOL, the NEGRO CHURCH, etc., as proscribed institutions lowering to our pride and manhood, but until we are assured fair play, a "white man's chance" in life's unflagging battle, regardless of color or past conditions, we can cultivate no higher pride, no loftier manhood than cleaving to OUR OWN. Not divided, not calling names or making faces at each other, can the Negro expect to advance, but UNITED, A SOLID WELDED MASS, wrong will not always prevail against him

WASHINGTON IN ILLINOIS.

The Great Orater Holds His Audience Spell-Bound.

There is no man in this whole country that has done more for our people than Prof. Booker T. Washington of the Tuskegee (Ala.) Institute. We take the following complimentary notice from the "Daily Herald," Quincy, Illinois:

"Earnestness, simplicity and common sense characterized the man and his addresses at the Congregational Church January 20th. Very large congregations greeted him both morning and evening, and no one could have more attentive listeners. He speaks with great rapidity, with much emphasis, but weaves in his humor so that he is never wearisome. His stories were full of wit and always to the point. Some passages were exceedingly eloquent, especially one last evening where he described the contrast between the Negro when he entered slavery and when he came out He interested every one greatly in the subject. Mr. Washington goes from here to Chicago, where he speaks in Dr. Gunsaulus' and Dr. McPherson's churches.

MR. WASHINGTON IN CHICAGO.

COTTAGE GROVE AVENUE,
CHICAGO, ILL., Jan. 30, 1895.

EDITOR ATHENS CLIPPER:

Knowing of your interest in Booker T. Washington, principal of the Tuskegee Institute, in Alabama, I send you a line concerning his recent visit to Chicago:

No colored man has ever been shown more attention in Chicago. Thursday on last week by invitation of President Harper of the University of Chicago, Booker T. Washington delivered an address before the students and faculty in the University Chapel; after his address one of the Professors remarked "that was a marvelous address; not a waste word in it." The next day Principal Washington was invited to address the students of the Armour Institute; Sunday p. m. he spoke at a special mass meeting called at Dr. Gunsaulus church in the interest of the Tuskegee Institute, as well as in two other churches on the same day. Tuesday evening a reception was held at the residence of Mr. Lloyd G. Wheeler in honor of Mr. Washington, which was attended by the leading colored citizens of Chicago.

Thursday evening, just before starting South he addressed a meeting of the Chicago Women's Club; Principal Booker T. Washington is the first, and only colored man invited to address the students and faculty of the University of Chicago.

I will not take your space to tell of the other meetings Mr. Washington addressed in the various churches. NEWCOMBER

In Athens Clipper.

"Willing Workers" Organized — Notes.

Bryan, Tex., Special.

The farmers of this section are overjoyed on account of the recent rains. Surry Smith says that he will raise less 4 cent cotton this year than last, and more corn and hogs. Bishop B. F. Lee passed through the city on the 4th, inst., enroute to Louisiana. The Bishop knows a good thing when he sees it, so he unhesitatingly gave your representative the price of The Freeman for a year. A. G. Clark returned on the 2d, inst, from Cincinnati, where he has been under treatment. He says that since his treatment he feels like a new man. He is an affable gentleman and has won many friends during his short stay among us. A "Phyllis Wheatley" Literary society was organized in the high school the 4th, inst. The following officers were elected: Henry C. Crawford, Jr., president; Miss Nettie McCullough, vice-president; P. S. Jefferson, secretary; Miss J. B. Calhoun, ass't secretary; Miss Willie Archie, treasurer. All are cordially invited to attend. Meeting every Wednesday evening. There has been organized at the Shiloh Baptist church, a band of "Willing Workers," consisting of twenty members. Rev. Reynolds, of Galveston, will preach at the A. M. E. church to-morrow. Hawkins Kyle, a young man in the employ of the H. & T. C. railroad company, was severely injured the 4th, inst, at Cypress, while lifting a trunk. W. A. Lightfoot has been employed by the Hall Lumber Brokers at Navasota, Tex. Miss J. A. Whitehead has gone to Galveston. It is reported that Dr. J. S. Reid, our colored physician, will go to New York during the summer for the purpose of taking a special course in surgery. Albert Lock and Miss Ellen Creamer, were married the 4th, inst., Rev. S. M. Holmes, officiating. Rev. W. L. Duncan, the new presiding elder of the Navasota district, and late pastor of the M. E. church at Brenham, held his first quarterly meeting at Lee's Chapel, this city, Feb. 3d. Mrs. Col. Springer, of Iowa, was billed to address the colored people of this city, on the 6th, inst. Bad weather kept the audience at home. O. A. Mims, one of our young "stars," a graduate of the city high school in the class of '92, also one of the alumni of the Prairie View State Normal school in '94, has purchased a new silver cornet. Mr. Mims has great talent for music. He plays three instruments with great skill.

Washington's Birthday Celebrated.

Shannon, Miss., Special.

While this village is small the colored man is very well represented. Messrs. Baker and Fields run the only shoe and barber shops. Mr. Ben High is a building contractor. Messrs. Jeff Rodgers, Peter Jones, Wesly Fields and Mitchell Murphy are all well to do farmers. Mrs. Ellen Rodgers is one of the best to do women in the County. Profs. Ratliff, Howel and Shannon are the leading teachers. Mrs. Spates and Fannie White are on the sick list. The Douglas Lyceum is progressing with Bettie Jones president and Georgia A. Rodgers secretary. Miss Mary High will commence a music class very shortly. Mrs. Julia is the oldest member of the Sunday-school. Those who passed a creditable examination recently were Alfred, Samuel, Andrew, William Rodgers. Miss Eliza Rodgers will finish her course. Della Brooks, Lou E. Rodgers and Clabe Murphy are the smartest in their grade. Washington's birthday will be celebrated—a paper on Negro journals will be read by Miss Bettie Jones. The Freeman was read and commented on by Miss Josa Jones last Friday before the Rose Bud Society. The Home Missionary services under its president, Mrs. Jones. Prof. Ed. Branlet lectured to the society last evening, subject "Blue sky Somewhere."

Mr. Andrew Rodgers ably filled the principal's chair in Good Hope High school. Miss Sarah Shannon is a splendid singer. Mariah Spates will represent The Freeman in a concert soon to be. Cary Wheeler is ill. The Freeman should be looked upon as a race property, the writer first saw a copy of this paper in the hands of its representative, Prof. M. A. Whitfield, it could not be in possession of any more worthy, he is gaining friends for it both white and black. Gillea Shannon, age twelve, attracts all that hear him as an orator. Messrs. Andrew, Samuel, William and Alfred Rodgers will organize a reading club for the benefit of the old of which nothing but race papers are to be read—Freeman reading main object. The Rose Bud Society is living with Sumary Rodgers president. No paper like The Freeman. Praises will not support its editor. The Freeman can be had at Mr. Jessie Whites. Mr. Charley is elected to teach old people in Sunday-school

Indianapolitians at the "Golden Gate."

San Francisco, Cal., Special.

Our California tour is proving very successful, both financialy and physically, every one is well and we are all enjoying ourselves. Our company is filling a weeks engagement here at the Wigivan Theatre. Our band had the pleasure of playing a selection in the "Palace" the largest hotel in America. The weather here is fine and on our trip up from Los Angels to Frisco we passed through twenty-seven tunnels. And speaking of San Francisco on ones first visit to that city, we were amazed at the vast multitudes of people and vehicles that throng the streets day and night. We are taking in the sights every day and night. We visited Golden Gate Park, and the sights and views we witnessed there are too numerous to mention birds, flowers, animals of all description, large trees, especially one tree stump upon which thirty couple could dance upon at the same time. We heard of The Freeman correspondent here, but we have not had chance to meet him yet, We employed a guide that is a party of us, and visited "China town" and to tell the plain facts, there are more Chinese there than hairs on a dog's back. We visited the Chines Theatre and also the under ground city, where there are thousands and thousands of Chinese who live under the ground. We also visited the opium dens which are also under the ground. Last Wednesday was Chinese New Year, and every Chinese man, woman and child had on his and her holiday atire, and things were made very lively in Chinatown. The festivities were kept up for a week. I cannot begin to tell you all I saw in Chinatown.

HARRY FIDDLER

With Meharry's Col., Minstrels.

Commemoration Day.

Poplar Bluff, Mo., Special.

Sunday, Feb. 3d, was memorial day of the Knights and Daughters of Tabor, in commemoration of "Mother," Mary E. Dickerson, deceased. The church was artistically draped in mourning, suitable for the occasion. The memorial sermon was preached by Elder W. B. White, P. E., at Brown's Chapel A. M. E. church. The church was filled to overflowing. Services began at 2 o'clock p. m., opened by a solemn march played by Miss Mollie Redmond. After a march thrice around the congregation by the members of the K. and Dr. of T., was completed, a fervent prayer offered by Rev. Barton, Elder W. B. White after giving a full history of "Mother" Mary E Dickerson's life, announced for his text, Luke viii, and the latter clause of the 53d verse. The Elder delivered a most impressive sermon. The revival at the A. M. E. church has been arrested on account of the inclement weather. Peter Clemmons, who has been ill for some time, is up again. A Spurlock and Henry Clemmons are ill at this writing. Mrs. Willie Clemmons has been on the sick list. The colored Masonic Lodge was organized 2d, inst., by C. H. Hicks, with seventeen members. The following officers were elected; Chas. H. Hicks, W. M.; Rev. H. F. Johnson, S. W.; A. Nance, J. W.; H. D. Russel, Sec.; T. W. Walker, Treas.; W. Hart, Tyler; Rev. S. C. Jaynes, Chaplain; Wm. Sheppard, S. D.; N. E. Powers, J. D.; A. Gatlin, S. S.; Jas. Mack, J. S. Monthly meeting second Friday night in each month. Leave your orders for The Freeman quick and hasty; time is short. Miss Zula Gordon, while carrying dinner down to the Onley stave factory, became so seriously cold that on entering a store to warm, she fainted and fell.

Personal Mention.

Jeffersonville, O., Special.

Mr. Beverly recently of London, Ohio, is now sojourning in Jeffersonville, O., having bought a very nice home here. A special sermon was preached to the little children by the pastor, Rev. Dr. S. Moten on last Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. A series of meetings will begin at South Charleston Shorter Chapel Church on Monday evening. Jeffersonvillians read The Freeman.

'Country Store' Yarns.

BY B. SQUARE.

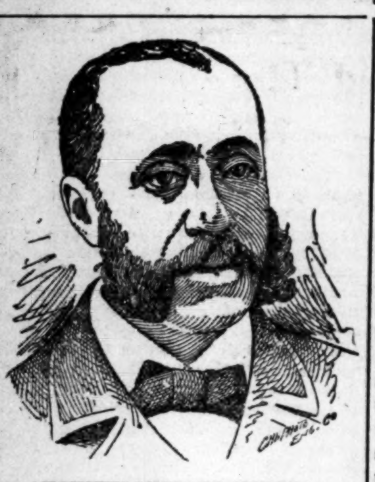
The Freeman has purchased the exclusive right to publish these stories from the Augustus M. Hodges' Literary Syndicate.]

BREATH FOUR.

"Hey Ike, fill up the boys' cups."

"Well, that's a good one; did anybody get burned to death?" asked Zeb

"Why yes; that's where the fun comes in. Three weeks after the next Christmas at a hog killing (you know that a hog killing down there is a sort of social meeting) a man by the name of Steve Reddick fell in the pot of hot water they had to scald the hogs and was burned to death. You can see at once that there was no connection between the sad accident and Aunt Hannah's 'conjuration' as it was twenty-two miles away in Currietuck across the line in North Carolina, and I learned that the unfortunate man was never across the line in Virginia in his life. Uncle Miles heard of it, however, and remarked, 'I told you so—that some one—I didn't say who—would be burned to death in hot water.' You know how news, and more often falsehoods, travels in the country, and soon the 'conjuration' and Steve Reddick's death were known for fifty miles around, and the old fraud, Uncle Miles' fame, spread like wild fire, and to-day he is living in clover, known to the neighborhood as 'Dr.' Miles Jones, the great evil spell-breaker."



AUGUSTUS MICHAEL HODGES.
(B. SQUARE.)

"What, you boys ain't drinkin' out of the barrel on Christmas day instead of drinkin' sealed packages air you?" asked a voice from the door, just as Mose finished his true story.

"Well, Abe, that's jess what we are doin, jess what we are doin'," said Zeb.

"How's that? ter day's Christmas."

"It's this how, Abe's sealed packages cost one dollar an' a half a piece, an' it would take two ter go 'round and eight cups from the barrel only cost eighty cents; that's ther how Abe, that's ther how."

The new comer was Abe Munford, the village out-cast. If Miltonsville had been a "wet" town we would have called him the town toper, but being it was a "dry" one we'll simply say that Abe was the homeless hero of the place to whom the country owed a living, he concluded, and he was getting it, stopping everywhere and any place where he knew there was a barrel of—well the same kind of stuff as Ike's barrel contains or sealed packages. He kept "tabs" on every one who ran down to Boston or Brattleboro and came pretty near of telling upon their return if they had brought home any refreshments.

"Abe" was sixty three years old and had spent the quarter part of these years knocking about between Brattleboro and Miltonsville during which time he had done about two year's work; the other forty odd years he had lived upon his nerve with now and then an odd job.

"Have a cupful, Abe?" asked Mose who was treating.

"No, Mose, I don't want that stuff to-day. It's Christmas an' I'd like ter drink some real, good strong stuff; now I'll tell you what I'll do; if you boys'll buy a couple of sealed packages an' some eggs an' sugar, an' make some real, strong egg-nog I'll tell you a true story that will knock out all of them Christmas yarns you have been telling all the afternoon. What do you say, boys?"

"It's er go. Hey, Ike; give us some sealed packages" remarked Zeb.

"An' some eggs," remarked another of the bread-winners.

"An' some sugar an' milk," said Mose Tatem.

"You know boys, you can't drink or open the sealed packages here in the store; you all know the law as good as I do, but the old woman has gone out or up stairs so you can take the eggs and other things in the kitchen back of the store and enjoy yourself," remarked Ike, the storekeeper.

The boys chipped in a half-dollar each and handed the money to Ike, who in return for the four dollars gave them two $1.50 seal packages, one dozen fresh eggs, three quarts of milk, two pounds of white sugar and the use of a large tin milk pail.

"Step in the back room and enjoy your selves, boys; them's the first sealed packages I have sold to-day; it's been very dull; every one brought their Christmas sealed packages from town it seems, just like as if I didn't have to make a living," remarked Ike, the storekeeper, as the boys and Abe marched in the back room.

The "sealed packages" were done up in blue wrappers which read thus:

"Dr. Dodger's Famous New Life Bitters: A sure cure for that tired feeling, sadness and blues. Sold only in sealed packages. Price $1.50 per bottle (sealed. Directions: Dose, one wine glass full every half hour until you feel a change or an inclination to sleep."

Any old sampler of liquid goods who had ever tasted any of the production of "Ole Kaintuck" would have pronounced the contents of the sealed packages to be well—cold tea from the Blue Grass state.

The kettle of milk was placed over the kitchen fire to boil. One of the boys broke the eggs and placed the white part of them in one dish and the yellow in another. Zeb took one dish and Moses the other and commenced to whip the contents up with a fork. After they were well beaten and the milk had commenced to boil they were dumped in the boiling milk along with the sugar and "New Life Bitters." After the compound had been well stirred several times Abe pronounced it "O. K., and wine cups were dished up. Abe, who appeared to be the self-appointed steward helped himself to three extra cups then filled his corn cob pipe with borrowed tobacco, placed his feet against the stove and commenced his "true story."

"Of course you boys has heerd 'bout ther big 33 foot snow storm of forty-three years ago that fell 'cross ther line in Franklin county, New York."

"Never did, did we boys?" replied Zeb.

"Well now, that's strange, cause its down in history. Why Moses, you must have read about it. You say that you spent a year at that High school down at Hampton, down South; didn't they learn you no history?"

"Oh, yes, Abe, I have studied history a little and read it a good deal."

"Then you must have seen some account about ther great 33 foot snow storm in Franklin county, New York, 'cross ther Vermont line?"

"I never did."

"Well, that's strange."

"Not very strange, Abe, as historians are human, and it is human to err; there are thousands of important events omitted. Now for an example, history does not make any note of two important events Abe."

"What's that?"

"Why the account of our bitters which were to us very important events, hey Zeb?"

"Now if you boys is goin' ter talk er lot ob fool talk I'll not tell my story, but go home."

[TO BE CONTINUED.]

An Interesting Program.

Decatur, Ala., Special.

The Silver Leaf Club's program for Feb 7 was as follows: Opening hymn, "Asleep in Jesus,"by the club; prayer; select reading, Miss T. Schandies; vocal solo, Miss I. L. McKinney; declaration, Mr. Smith Palmer; essay, Miss J. L. Carpenter; vocal solo, Miss T. Schandies; trio, Misses C. Banks, B. Schandies and Dr. T. R. Steers; Herald, written by Prof. E. M. Dale; poet, Longfellow. The club met at the residence of Miss Bertha Schandies.

County Teachers' Institute Program.

Denton, Tex., Special.

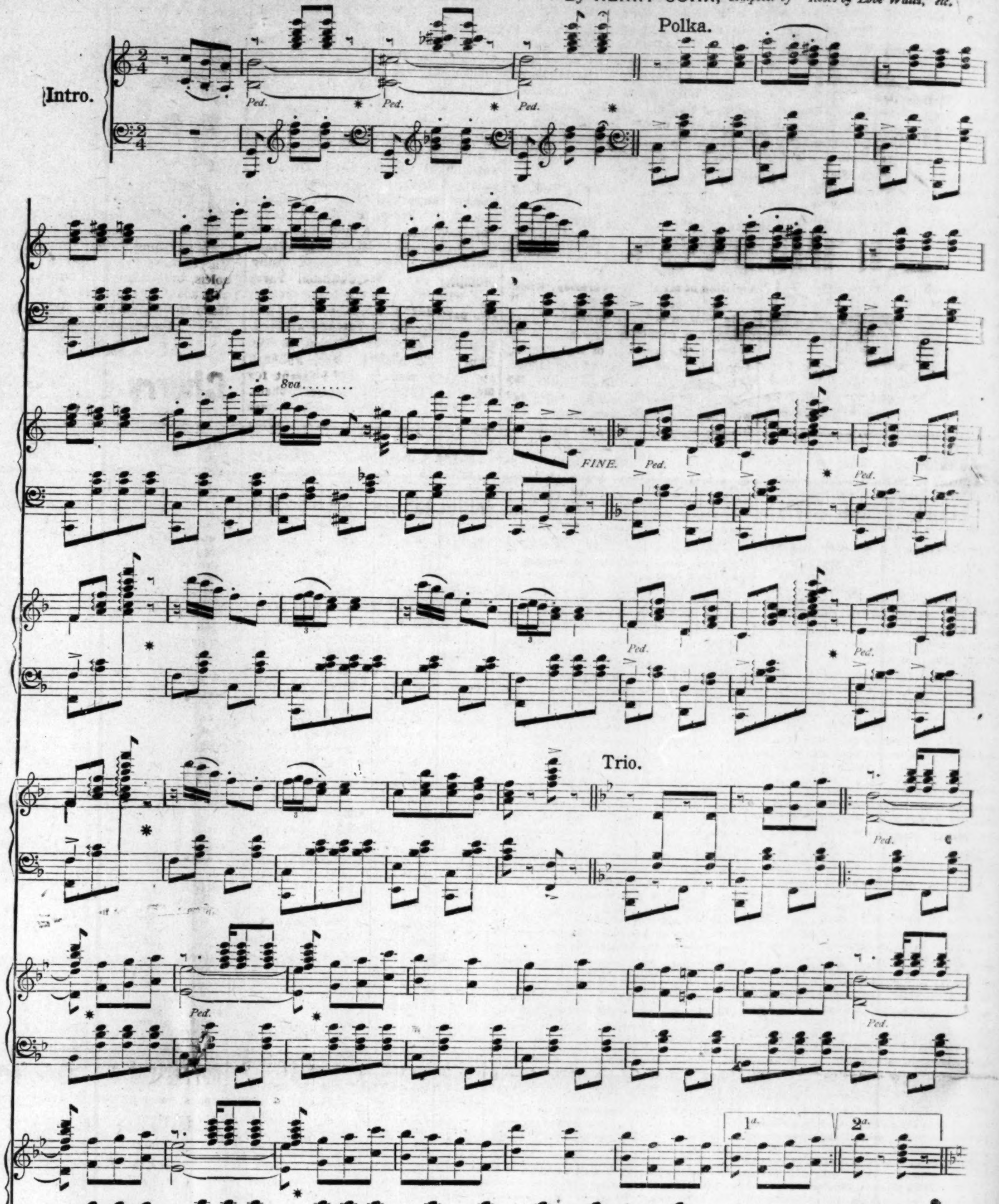
The largest snow within twenty years fell here on the 27th ult. The farmers are jubilant, since a good wheat crop is assured thereby. This county (Denton) is the banner wheat county of the State. The teachers of the county organized a county institute on last Saturday. The following were the officers elected: Prof. H. C. Bell, president; Prof. E. S. Doty, secretary, and Mrs. L. E. Jarratt, treasurer. The following is the program for their next meeting, March 2: "Professional Courtesy," H. C. Bell; "Methods of Teaching Fractions," E. S. Doty; "Methods of Teaching Spelling," C. Crom Trimble; "Methods of Teaching Reading," W. P. Huntley; "Methods of Teaching Geography," Miss S. J. Jones; "Methods of Teaching Arithmetic," (primary), Mrs. A. M. Welch; "Incentives to Study," Miss Agnes A. Houston; "The Teacher's Qualification," Mrs. L. E. Jarrott; addresses, Rev. Dr. R. T. Luis and Rev. J. M. Anderson.

Rev. B. Smith, presiding elder of the C. M. E Church, held his first quarterly conference here on the 26th ult. Rev. M. D. Moody, presiding elder of the Dallas district A. M. E. Church, held his first quarterly conference here on last Saturday and Sunday week.

The Denton Literary Society will debate the following subject at its next meeting, viz: "Resolved, That foreign languages should not be taught in our schools." Mr. William ("Bud") Crawford, of Gainesville, Tex, is visiting his mother, Mrs. Mattie Holt, who has been quite sick for some time. Mrs. Angie Simpson is on the sick list. The monthly examination of the public school was held on last Thursday and Friday, The pupils are making a commendable progress in the thoroughness and accuracy in which they answered the various questions put to them. The examinations were all written work.

MAY'S DEVOTION.—Two-Step.

By HENRY COHN, *Composer of "Roses of Love Waltz," etc.*



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AHEAD OF CONGRESS.

Many Roads Have Given Travelers what They Demanded.

The C. H. & D. Did not Wait for the Interchangeable Mileage Bill to be Passed.

The general passenger agent of one of the important systems of roads in the Central Traffic Association territory, in conversation with a reporter of the Indianapolis Journal, said: "I see by the Journal of Wednesday that the commercial travelers' bill for interchangeable mileage has been favorably received and will likely be passed at the next meeting of the Senate The Commercial Travelers' Association have spent a great deal of money and time in pressing this bill. The passage of the bill will undoubtedly help him in some parts of the country, although in the more densely-populated and busy parts of the community the demands of business are more likely to produce favorable methods for the free interchange of business than can be accomplished by legislation, as, for example, the recent announcement, that, commencing with the 1st of January, the thousand-mile tickets of the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton, which are sold for $20, are accepted for passage over not only their connections but competing lines, and this mileage book gives a man the choice of a commercial territory covering over ten thousand miles of railroad. For instance, this ticket is honored from Cincinnati to St Louis over the issuing road, in connection with the Vandalia, and also over the competing lines, the Big Four and the Ohio & Mississippi. It is also good between Louisville and Cincinnati, good between Chicago and Cincinnati over two roads, good between Cleveland and Cincinnati over two roads, good between Columbus and Cincinnati, good between Cincinnati, Toledo and Detroit, so that so far as the Central States are concerned, the field is practically covered by the liberal action of the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton Railroad, in advance of the proposed legislation." This is but one of a dozen roads which has greatly extended the use of its mileage books, and the most pleasing feature is that where lines are the sharpest of competitors, the mileage book is honored to such an extent.

Took "French Leave."

Joplin, Mo., Special.

Elder Hughes, P. E of the M. E. church held quarterly meeting at Rev. Sander's church the 3rd. Mrs. L Clark, traveling agent for the "R T Davis" Buckwheat Co., is in our city, representing the branch firm at St. Joseph. Mrs Clark is one of the most experienced cooks in the state, and has traveled all over the south and west in the interest of the company. The people in the vicinity of Jasper county are undergoing the most severe winters that have ever been known here since the 70's. The snow is now from four to five inches on the level.

Protracted meetings are yet in progress. Rev. W P. McCallister returned from Baxter Spring, Kan., this week. Mrs. Lizzie Smith took French leave from her husband last Thursday; she left no word as to her destination. Whereabouts unknown—to her husband. The schools were effected by the inclemency of the weather this week. There was a loss of 70 per cent in the primary grades. Miss Ida L. Murray was appointed as a substitute teacher in the Lincoln school. Miss Murray is a member of the class of '95.

Protracted Meeting.

Madison, Ind., Special.

The Freeman has made its appearance in our city, to the delight of its many friends. It is the leading colored paper of this whole country. We hope that every colored person in the state will take it. It is truly a race paper. The way to elevate the race is to disseminate among them such a paper as The Freeman, who will both advocate and defend the rights of the race. The A. M E. church is holding protracted meeting under the pastoral care of Rev. W. L Bray, who is doing a good work in the city. The public schools here are fine under Prof. F. S. Delaney, principal. He is the right man in the right place, a fine scholar and a dignified gentleman. The Rev. H. H. Thompson, presiding Elder of this district preached here the 4th.

From Wilberforce to Texas.

Prof. Moten of Payne Theological Seminary Writes

Interestingly of a Visit to His Old Home—Welcomed Everywhere—Filling Many Pulpits.

DEAR EDITOR:

According to promise I furnish you the following abridged retrospection, relative to my recent Texas visit made before taking my exit for Oxford University, England. My brother was the immediate cause of my visit to the Lone Star state, to officiate at his nuptials on the 20th of December '94. The opportunity to visit home, mother and friends again, having been from them since August '90, was quickly closed with. All things being attended to, I was off for Winchester, Tex, Dec. 18, 1894. Left Xenia, O, 8:32 a. m. Tuesday, and reached St Louis, Mo., the same evening. Made connection with the long-winded M. K. & T. R. R. train, labeled for Galveston, Tex. Being transferred to the M. K & T. station with prompt dispatch, we boarded the car of superb paraphernalia in company with travelers from Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, etc. We left St. Louis, Tuesday at 11:53 p. m. in direct route for the state of Texas—onward, roundward and aboutward until we reached Denison, where THE EXPECTED HAPPENED

The "Jim-crow car" was attached to our train amidst the signs, not of Christ and the cross, but of antedeluvian monstrosity and super-prejudical pomposity and infernalism. You ask how the car compared with the "white car?" I answer, Texas comes nearer filling the bill of equal accomodation, from observation and information than any other of this heathenish modus operandi, but am I to be satisfied, even if I had better accommodations than the so-called white car? I answer in heaven's name, no! If the white man will allow himself to be hellishly circumscribed in order to try to humiliate or circumscribe me, I shall never allow my sober and reflective manly stamina and manhood to doggedly and sheepishly submit to any thing of the kind.

It is true I had the affable conductor, according to this "Jim-crow car" scheme, to march out every white person in my car. As soon as the "Jim-crow car" was attached it was filled utterly with whites, and some of the elite too, but I demanded, before I entered the car, they should depart, and the conductor bade them take up their beds and walk. Some did not desire to do so, claiming they had not, and could not get seats anywhere in the train. They were "perfectly willing to sit in the Negro car," but I was not so willing. Clearance was made and I occupied a whole superbly roomy car from Denison onward, until we had gone hundreds of miles into the state.

Now you see, I am looking mainly at the hellish motive behind this thing. Some people now are like the people in Christ's time; if they can get the bread for the body, they care nothing for the soul's interest, so far as soul food is concerned. So some people, even some colored people, are pleased, and quite so, with this prejudicial "Jim-crow car" because they can get seats now, when otherwise they could not, etc., etc. But this is like stuffing the material body and starving the soul. You comprehend?

Now back to the traveling point. We now ran into the rightly appelated Athens of Texas, Waco. Here I met with several of my friends. The Rev. J. R. Bryan, P. E., of the Waco district of the Central Texas Conference of the A M. E church, was one with whom I met. Being wheeled on at a rapid rate, we were subsequently landed in Bastrop, a very beautiful and historic city on the Colorado. Here I met a number of friends, among them the erudite lawyer and ex-judge of Bastrop county, Hiram M Garwood. "All aboard," said the conductor, and we were soon in another beautiful little city by the river, Smithville.

Here the writer was escorted by warm-hearted friends to his dear mother, Carrie Moten's home, Winchester, Tex. The M K & T. being more than an hour late, he could not make connection wih the A. R P. railroad, the Winchester railroad. I reached my mother's domicile Thursday, Dec. 20, '94

It was a glorious meeting and heavenly greeting; I had been absent nearly five calendar years. The marriage of David Moten to Miss Lydia Washington, was a transcendingly grand affair. I could not, if I should like to, describe the costume of the bride. I can say laconically, it was a neatly sweet, and sweetly neat. The visit of the groom's brother from Ohio, spiked the wheel of the honey moon travel for the then present. An inexplicably good time was had meeting friends by day and by night. I met Rev. J. P. Payne, pastor of the Central Union A. M. E. church, Winchester, Tex, and his congregation, my own native friends, Dec. 23, '94. Preached for him and his people at 11 a. m., per published program. A gospel time was had

At 7 p. m., God leading me, I led my Bro., I. Newton, into the ministry, he having acknowledged the call. His text was indeed a reflector: "Take Heed," etc. By request of the audience and dear home friends, I had to make some additional remarks. I did so with delight. One of the most impressive incidents of the visit there was the organization of a Christian Endeavor society, at the Central Union A. M. E church, my native home church, Winchester, Tex, on Dec. 24, '94, at 7 p. m. Central Union has a wide-awake pastor in the person of Rev. J. P. Payne. As I observed, he is doing a commendable work for church and otherwise.

Having set up the above society with a good membership, I delivered them a lecture on, "My travels in the North, East and North-east," as they related to Christian Endeavor convocations. I was then escorted to the dwelling of Mr Ruffin Warmley, where the young people and old, vied with each other to make it pleasant for me during the exercises of the evening. I spent the residue of the evening with Mr. Major Henderson and family, in company with I. Newton Moten, my brother and his son-in-law. Xmas day was happily spent with mother and friends at home. Xmas dinner by special request, was taken with uncle P. M. Moten and family. Mrs. Dilcie A. Moten arranged the high noon "Xmas dinner," which, in company with many others, we truly enjoyed.

Several very complimentary remarks were made relative to the old reliable Freeman here as in other places. I left them showering compliments on the Xmas issue. The Xmas issue was a superbly excellent affair, truly.

The following day I had to begin the direct execution of my home program. Being the guest of Miss Lula Bailey, my cousin, I was off from there for my first engagement. Wednesday at 11 a. m., Hills Prairie A. M. E. church; Wednesday evening I was due in Bastrop, Tex., with Rev. Dr. Hull and congregation. I had a gloriously pleasant time here, meeting a host of friends of both race varities as at home. Rev. Dr. Hull escorted me around to see Judge Garwood and Lidell's law office, and many other places to meet friends of former days. Bidding adieu to good Mrs. Anderson and many others, I was off for Austin, Tex., to meet the pastor of the A. M. E. church of Austin. With much reluctance I had to leave Austin and very congenial friends the evening preceeding my next engagement, which was at Giddings, Tex., in order to reach it on time. However, I had a truly enjoyable time with the gallant and all-around divine, Rev. Dr. Trapp, pastor of Metropolitan A. M. E. church, I met several friends ere I had to be off for Giddings. Among them the Strain family and Wilberforce Collegers, Prof. H. A. Maxwell, B. S., Miss Cora Maxwell and Miss Effie J. Strain. They made it pleasant for me during my very short stay. Prof. Maxwell, B. S., is doing a superb educational work in Austin, being principal of one of the leading schools there. Prof. Maxwell is the son of the Secretary of Wilberforce University, Rev. J. P. Maxwell. Miss Effie is also doing good pedagogical work. Mr Strain has a beautiful home in close proximity to the granite capital of Texas. Bidding adieu to friends here I was off for Giddings.

Here I met warm hearted friends and was the guest of Robbin B. Bennett, a thriving business man. He is one of the members of the race that believes in being all you can be, and doing all you can do, for yourself, for one another and for God. He likes education and loves religion.

I met here Prof. S. P. Jones and J. M Clark, true young men who were in the same work when I was in the pedagogical field in Texas. They are doing nicely, and also have a flourishing "Union Store," Returning to Winchester, Tex, mother and an innumerable host of friends, I only spent one evening with them ere I had to be off for Waco, Tex., to meet the first engagement on return program Reaching there Saturday evening, Dec. 29th, found most agreeable harborage at the domicile of Rev. J. R. Bryant, P. E. In the morning I was present at Paul Quinn Chapel, also in the evening. Both services were superbly enjoyed. I met here a host of friends of other days when a student of Paul Quinn.

Prof. Demby, B. D., pastor of Paul Quinn Chapel and member of the college faculty, is doing a good work. I preached at the St. Paul A. M. E. Church in the evening to a mixed congregation. St. Paul's is blessed with a superb congregation. Bishop B. F. Lee, D. D. Ph. D., and wife attended the evening service. After preaching services, the Bishop made some very pertinent remarks relative to the Christian ministry in general, but the ministry of Texas in particular. May God bless the dear Bishop and President Kealing, A. B., of Paul Quinn College, and that grand lady, Miss E. D Owens, of Detroit, Mich., member of the P Q C. F., who is such a potent factor there. Prof. W. E. Day, B. S., escorted me after preaching to his elegant and cosy domicile, where a pleasant evening was spent.

The following day I again met the Bishop, his wife and children. The good advice the Bishop gave me relative to my immediate operations after finishing at the Seminary in June, will always be remembered and cherished. I had decided to go to Oxford and take a course in philosophy, after leaving the Seminary, but friends, almost with one voice, say I must return to Texas next autumn, the Bishop being of the same opinion. The college departments were visited in company with Prof. J. K. Williams, B S. As a member of the P. Q. C. faculty and professor of printing, he is doing and having done work hardly second to any college press.

After spending a few hours at watch-night meeting wih Dr. Denham and friends, I returned to the home of the ecclesiastical knights, the Rev. J. R. Bryan, P. E. Morning came—the New Year morn, and I was off at 7:40 for Hillsboro. The iron-horse soon carried me there, being promptly met by Rev. Johnson. I was soon with him and his better half at the parsonage. I was with him and his congregation on Tuesday evening, preaching a special sermon to the Church Aid Society. Rev. Johnson and people made it very pleasant for me the few hours I was with them.

Wednesday morning early I was again off, this time for Atoka, Indian Ter., to meet my personal friend and ex-college mate, Prof. H. A. Guess, B. S., and Rev. J. D. Springer and congregation. I reached there too late for services that evening. Prof. Guess and Rev. Springer managed for services in the afternoon, adjourning their schools to allow the pupils to atttend the service. After preaching I organized a Y. P. S. C. E. for their beautiful little church on the hill.

When evening came, I was escorted to the train by friend Guess and Rev. Springer, and off for St Louis, Mo., traveling by day and by night. I finally reached the Mound City. Here I met Dr. Preston of St. Paul church. St. Paul's is a nice pearl in the Mound City's crown. Mrs. Preston, who is a lady of refinement, informed me that Mrs. Prof. J. P. Shorter of Wilberforce had recently passed that way and gave her a pleasant call.

The subsequent morning I boarded a limited express for Indianapolis, Ind., the "City of Railroads," and capital of the great Hoosier state. Here I met friends I had met in other days, and for the first time. I reached there Saturday afternoon. I was at once "carriaged" to the domicile of Rev. Theo. Price of Allen Chapel. Here I spent a good evening in much needed rest and recuperation. The following morning, Sunday, I met the Allen Chapel congregation and preached at 11 a. m. Having been the guest of Rev. Price and his wife, he conveyed me to the home of Dr. Henderson, pastor of Bethel church (A. M. E.) I was most agreeably received and entertained by the doctor and his wife and preached at his church. The key to Dr. Henderson's success as a man and minister of God, is whole-hearted consecration of both soul and body, of both man and wife to the cause of Christ and his church militant. May God bless Dr Henderson for making "Old Bethel" what he has.

The Revs. Bishops Grant, Arnett, Tanner and Gaines would be pleased at the very fine and modern improvements of "Old Bethel" in which they were ordained Bishops on the 19th of May, '88. Having been kindly invited to call upon the Hart family, 623 N. Capitol avenue, I was escorted there by the doctor. This is indeed a par-excellent musical family. Miss Myrtle A. Hart is a very refined musician on the harp. After being honored with some very choice selections, in company with Dr. Henderson and wife I was conveyed by Dr. Henderson to the office of The Freeman. Here I met Editor Sweeney. Some of the most delightful and pleasant moments of my entire tour were spent in his company. May the journalistic knight, Sweeney:

Be ever kept and preserved by power divine,
To give the honest expression of his replete mind
Upon things temporal and things divine,
Even if it is antagonistic, at times, to me and mine.

Returning to Dr. Henderson's office in Bethel Church, the Doctor "buggied" me to the railroad station, where I boarded the limited express for Xenia, O. I reached Payne Theological Seminary on Jan. 7 at 7 p. m.

All the way my Savior led me,
What had I to ask beside?
Could I doubt His tender mercies,
Who all through life has been my guide?

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end—Amen.

Young Folks Entertained.

Alton, Ill., Special.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilkerson were the guests of Mrs Johnston week before last. Mrs. Banard entertained a number of young folks last Friday week, in honor of Miss Clara Banard. Mrs. Howard is better. Mr. Otey is convalescing. Wm. Crawford gave a grand concert Monday, the 4th, inst.

OLD WINTER.

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THE congestion in the money world, as this government is effected thereby, seems relieved, and we opine Messrs. Cleveland and Carlisle are correspondingly in better appetite.

THE Hawaiian villiany is about complete, and if the American abettors of the same are happy history will at last attach to their names the opprobrium they have so richly earned.

READ the excerpt from Hon. C. H. J. Taylor's communication to the Washington Post. on this page. It is in the able Recorder's best vein, and is worthy of a place in your scrap book.

THE Negro Educational Journal, Cartersville, Ga., for January and February was a fine affair. The editors, Prof. F. G. Snelson and Mrs. F. G. Snelson, need to be proud of their charge.

THE incense arising from the annual celebration of Lincoln's birthday permeates every section of our common land, foe and friend alike, of the country for which he gave his life. Great and good man,

> "One of the few of immortal names
> That was not born to die.'

NEXT LIBERIAN MINISTER.

Anent our fellow townsmen's late visit to Washington, the papers of that city speak in warm and complimentary terms as to his social and professional qualifications, and possible chances for the Liberian mission. Mr. Manning is a member of the party that, incidentally and directly when occasion requires it, we are in the business to fight; nevertheless, we are glad of this opportunity to thank our Washington brethren for their kind reference to our neighbor and friend, supplemented with the hope that the man selected by Mr. Cleveland to succeed the late Hon. W. D McCoy to the court of the African Republic will hail from Indiana in the person of A. E, MANNING, Esq. the qualified and genial gentlemen.

LET THE DOCTOR COME.

We regret to have the announcement from Dr. Blyden that he expects soon to visit the United States. We don't need him here. He is a firebrand and sowed seed from Florida to Washington when last here, which is still producing discord. We cordially invite Dr. Blyden to remain in Africa —The Age.

Luckily for Dr. Blyden, and the pleasures resultant in anticipation from his visit, your ears may be cropped, but it is recorded nowhere that you are the regularly commissioned spokesman of the race in America, therefore the Race's LEADING journal, and your very dear friend and admirer, assumes to assure the distinguished African and scholar to pay no attention to you, but set sail for America whenever arrangements will permit. From all accounts, the Doctor knows a thing or two, but judging from a recent communication from his pen, what he don't know about some things, and the Negro in this country in particular, would make a good-sized book. Harmless old man! don't prevent him from enjoying himself as his swollen fancy may urge him to.

THE NEGRO IS A MAN.

The above is one of the sub-heads of an exhaustive resume on the future of the race and in opposition to African migration by Hon. C. H. J. Taylor, Recorder of Deeds, District of Columbia, which appeared in the Washington Post of February 9th. Mr. Taylor's opinion is a very able one, and we only regret space will not allow publication in full —[ED. THE FREEMAN.

"Is the Negro a man?

"Who can doubt it? Go and ask those whose mouths he fed when it was his best interest to starve them. Go and ask those who saw him turned loose with the earth for a mattress and the sky for a coverlet. Go and ask those who have watched him living from hand to mouth, yet faithful to his employer. Is the Negro a man? Go and ask those who have watched him in his career, with a heavy storm of cyclonic proportions blowing in his face, with a steep and rugged mountain to climb, with those who said he would amount to nothing working hard to prove that they were right in their predictions. Ask them; they will tell you how he has gone ahead slowly but surely until it will be only a short time until in three States in the South he will own principally the farming lands of those States. If he can control the stomachs of the people he will not be afraid of the brains His young men are learning trades The women of the Negro race are not only learning books, but learning to be good housekeepers, how to make their own clothes in the latest fashion, and how to train the children brought to them by marriage. Only the other day the president of the Board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia stated that he had never seen a colored beggar on the streets of Washington, and that the progress the blacks had made in this country was the wonder of the age. While his hearers were glad to hear the honorable Commissioner say this they were not so foolish as to believe that much of this progress must not be attributed to the copy set before us by our white neighbors. It is therefore the duty of the white man to see to it that the example placed before the 'black man and brother' is of the best. Because we are told that we learned all we know from the white man. We are told that if the white man had not snatched us as a brand from the burning of Africa we and our fathers would have still been there burning in our ignorance and superstition. Adopting this statement as the truth, we are forced to the conclusion that when you find a bad Negro it is saying that a bad white man has been in that vicinity Is the Negro to be of those in the United States composing the army of the survival of the fittest?

THROUGH A CRUCIAL TEST.

"If not, why not? The hard knocks he has endured has proven to be a crucial test to him. In spite of his complaints, when all things are weighed and properly considered candor forces the statement that the American Negro is doing better than any other Negro in the world. The Negro living under her majesty's government cannot measure up to the shoulder, much less to the head, of the American Negro. So far as the Hatian, the Dominican, and the Liberian Negroes are concerned they have no place in this reckoning. Suppose they are rulers of governments, have cabinet officers, judges, generals, and law-makers; what of it? With all this, their progress does not equal the progress of the Negro of the United States. Here the Negro has to confront difficulties never met by the Negroes of other countries. In spite of obstacles the American Negro goes forward winning battle after battle. Places denied him last year he is readily granted this year. Places refused him yesterday he is implored to accept to-day An administration said to be inimical to the Negro breaks the record by naming him to represent this country in other than a black government as a full-fledged diplomatic officer. The failure of the man to be confirmed does not cause this departure and great step in advance to lose force. If the element which has been so long quoted and rated as against the black man acts thus friendly what may not be naturally expected from those who continually make professions of great friendship? Those who were always reported as against the black man are committed as not objecting to the colored man being given the fullest opportunity to show of what kind of material he is made. Surely our alleged friends, by the record, will not hesitate to emphasize their approval. In the West we have a Negro speaker pro tem. of the Legislature. In California we have a Negro chaplain of the House of Representatives. In New York we have a Negro private secretary to a State officer In several Legislatures we have them clerks to committees. Throughout the country they are holding elective county positions.

In one city of importance a Negro was elected alderman, his constituents being entirely white. In spite of a natural caste feeling we are managing to get healthy appropriations for our various schools in the South. In spite of reportorial sensationalism regarding race conflicts, Southern Governors are found visiting Negro colleges and addressing the young men and women on the duties of life and good citizenship.

OUR CREED.

THE FREEMAN is published in our city, and is a journal of national reputation, devoted to the interests of the Negro race. Inasmuch as THE FREEMAN is strictly orthodox, we take it as a compliment that it should dare to print our "proclamation," almost complete. It also shows that its founder and proprietor, George L. Knox, and its editor, Mr. Sweeney, have evoluted, and personally have no sympathy with the dogmas of the christian religion.—Iron Clad Age.

We feel at times to persuade ourselves we have been effected by

"The processes of the suns"

to that degree that we appreciate GOOD SENSE and TRUTH by whomsoever our attention is called to it, regardless of the creed that stands godfather and sponsor for it. Only this is to be intellectually free; an evidence of the reaching out for the profounder and better truth. If this is treason against the "dogmas of the christian," or any other dogma, we extend our friends (?) carte blanche to make the most of it.

THE UNBEATEN BOUTELLE.

The fiery champion of Hawaiian-American and American-Hawaiian liberties is not to be appeased. Nothing but the political scalps of the Administration men will satisfy this ruthless warrior from the wind-swept banks of the Kennebec. Even when his whilom partners in the blood and iron business—Hale and Frye—call a halt on the Hawaiian "republic," and by implication sustain the Administration in protecting American citizens from its fury—even then this aforetime paymaster in the navy rises upon his hind legs and refuses to be placated. We quote from a press dispatch from Washington:

> Mr. Boutelle said that incident had established the Republican contention that the Administration was friendly to the revolutionists, and that Secretary Gresham's telegram was in marked contrast to his instructions to the Admiral, that american citizens who took part in the rebellion either for or against the government, forfeited their claims upon the United States for protection.

Of course it does not occur to the doughty Knight of Passamaquoddy that the Secretary instructs Minister Willis merely to see that the American citizens under arrest have a fair trial, that it may be shown whether or not they have forfeited the protection of their government. It does not become defenders of The Flag of the Boutelle class, to be consistent or even occasionally candid. The folds of the sacred bunting are not to safeguard American citizens who fail to support their theories and further their prejudices. The American is to be protected at all hazards as against the British lion, the French rooster, the Russian bear, the German eagle, and so forth, but not against the Sons of the Missionaries who have appropriated the Hawaiian islands.

Neither logic, nor ridicule nor below zero weather can affect the boiling ardor of Charles Achilles Boutelle, ex-paymaster of whatever may be his war-time title

He just naturally knows that whatever is advocated by the Administration is unpatriotic and un-American, whether it is or not.—The Memphis Scimitar.

PLEA FOR A NEGRO CHAPLAIN.

"Let us then be up and doing."

BY HON. D. AGUSTUS STRAKER DETROIT, MICH.

EDITOR FREEMAN:—Among the many efforts put forth by the Afro-American for his advancement in the scale of human enlightenment and civilization along the path of human progress, there is none of greater significance than the effort to secure the appointment of a colored clergyman to the Chaplaincy of the 54th Congress of the United States of America. "Let us then be up and doing, with a heart for any fate" The significance in securing this position of honor to the colored American lies not in the mere place alone nor the emolument thereto; but in its influence and consequences. The solution of the Negro problem, so called, is along many lines. It is not only education, money and homes, that we want; but also the benefit of contact, and the opportunity to prove ourselves worthy of the advancement we seek It is wrong, for which many must repent in conscience, in judging the Negro unfit for civil responsibilities, the opportunity to exercise which, is not only denied him; but prevented his obtaining, The white race of people in America is greatly in advance of us in civilization, in all that this term comprises, but no race of people has ever advanced from a low to a higer degree of civilization, without the benefit of improving environments. The civilization of the Anglo-Saxon, is the result of Greek and Roman environment, in commerce, art, science and letters. If then, the true friend of the Negro in the United States, desire his advancement, he will give to him an opportunity to do so.

The position of Chaplain to the House of Representatives, is one, not only of honor; but of vast opportunity for advancement in knowledge to the incubent. He is brought in daily contact with Statesmen, politics, and the daily history of his country. He must study then in order to invoke suitably aid from a superintending Providence, culture, refinement and knowledge are his associates in his relation to the members of Congress. This privilege would be of incalculable benefit to the race. It would not only mark a place in his struggle for advancement, but it would in itself advance him. Nothing would be lost to the Anglo-Saxon, and much would be gained by the Negro.

The Hon. Frederick Douglass is the refined cultured gentleman and scholar that he is by reason, not only of his pursuit in knowledge, but also because of contact and opportunity given him. Who were his early associetes? Wendell Phillips, the golden tongue orator, Lloyd Garrison, the courageous and learned Journalist, Charles Sumner, the great Statesman, Henry Ward Beecher, the learned Divine and such others. The Negro cannot grow alone, no more than a grain of corn can grow by being left alone, without being placed in suitable soil.

But what is the Negro's duty in these premises? First, to be united Banish all jealousies and envies, and work together for the place first, and the man afterwards, according to his fitness. Colored men must not expect to fill places they are incapable of filling, because they are colored. Nothing is due us because of our color or race, but because of our manhood, and citizenship.

Several colored clergymen are spoken of for the Chaplaincy, not one of whom mentioned, who would not fill the position with credit. Notably Rev Alexander Crummell, D. D, and Rev. Frank Grimke, of Washington, D C., Rev. William Derrick, of New York, Rev. Jas. Townsend, late Recorder of the Land Office. Rev William Thompson, Rev, E. M Brawley, of Norfolk, Va., and the Rev J. B. Massiah and Rev. James M. Henderson, of Detroit, and a host of others. Give us a trial, and if we fail then let us fail. Let every colored journal agitate and advocate this matter, and seek to bring about the end so devoutly to be wished, a consummation which will place the Negro a step farther in the solution of his fitness for civil responsibility as a citizen.

If the spirit of fair play to the Negro, which breathes in Detroit and throughout our beloved State of Michigan, breathed throughout these United States, I would know the result.

Let no colored man oppose his co-applicant; but rest on his individual merit. The danger is frequent that the more intelligent the colored man, the more jealous and envious he is, towards his fellow colored brethren Banish this, and we will reach the goal of a Chaplaincy in the 54th Congress.

Very truly yours,
D. AUGUSTUS STRAKER.

THE NEGRO MUST CLIMB

The Stairs of Knowledge, Step by Step—A Lance With B. Square.

EDITOR THE FREEMAN:

Will you please give space in your valuable paper for a few words as to my plans in regard to an article published in an issue of your paper under date of January 12, from the eminent writer, Mr. Augustus M. Hodges, of Parkville, N. Y., known as the "True Solution to the Negro Problem." I agree with Mr. Hodges as to business and wealth being essential in solving the problem, and that the key to such solution or essentials might be, or are, within our grasp. Our friend Mr. Hodges seemed to have so clearly illustrated the subject that apparently there is no stone left unturned.

But I must say, according to my observation, (and, by the way, not being a classical scholar, my observations are limited), it strikes me that our writer omitted or neglected an essential more important than those mentioned in his article, as to the true solution of the problem. Morality, knowledge and adaptability are three things, according to my observation, that are indispensable in equipping our men for the commercial highway, of which our friend, Mr. Hodges, said so little.

We must endeavor to have our hands and hearts drawn out, as well as our brains, that we thereby may be organically, as well as mentally and morally, adapted to protect ourselves in all manner of workmanship. Find fifty colored men in any town or city on this continent, equipped as above mentioned, men of families, form a company, and let them put in $10 each. The company would have $500, and should success crown their efforts, in less than ten years you would find some of them (not all) numbered among the chief breadwinners of the nation. As a matter of course, the prejudice that exists between the Afro- and the Anglo American is more conspicuous in the latter, but a careful investigation among ourselves would doubtless reveal the fact that too much prejudice is exhibited upon our part to insure harmony and success in our struggle towards the true solution of the problem. Our friend says "the key to wealth is business," True enough; but I ask your many readers, what is the key to business? Knowledge! It appears that legalized speculation—selling for more than you pay—will remove many, if not all, of the barriers placed in our progressive march.

A man must have knowledge to know when he is doing legalized and commercial business, and a moral understanding to do it under legitimate principles. And I have filled him with the spirit of God, in wisdom and in understanding, and in knowledge and in all manner of workmanship. In my observation I think some of the lower barriers might be taken down by some of our common-sense thinkers, and leave the more difficult and higher ones to be removed by some of our classical leaders, viz: Great thinkers as termed by the writers. As a matter of fact, all of our people cannot be bondholders, nor presidents of large corporations. But I must say I am inclined to think that the so-called true solution remains to be solved by the majority of our right-thinking people. Our writer desires to know how we can make our people see this open sesame to the state chambers of wealth; and, leaving the matter to more distinguished fellow Afro Americans, he seemed to have forgotten the first essential, or the missing link, between the majority of our people and the commercial highway, and attempts to conclusively prove that business and wealth are the only ways by which we can remove the many barriers obstructive to our progressive march. I must say, ere I attempt to do business, give me knowledge and fealty to our people (I mean the Afro-Americans), that they may not envy, but willingly render some assistance to the attempted progressiveness made by me.

A year or so ago I attended a church fair or festival, and knowing the clerk very well I purchased an article and gave him a bill to change for me, and to my surprise he gave me more money back than I handed him, omitting the article. I looked at him for awhile and thought of his incompetency to do legalized business. Knowing it was a church fair, and having been in earlier days struck by the tail end of a moral cyclone, I handed him back his change. He thought he was doing business just the same. But to say that he had a knowledge of the fact that he was doing business, I shall have to leave it to our great thinkers.

We will be better adapted to do business, and to hold high positions, should we get there step by step ourselves, than to be carried there by others. Knowledge is power. It is the philosophers' stone, the true secret that turns everything it touches into gold; the sceptre that gives us our dominion over nature; the key that not only removes the many, if not all, of the barriers that we find between us and our commercial progress, but unlocks the store house of creation and opens to us the treasures of the universe. Should some of our men in every town and city of the Union find themselves under the above influence (knowledge), and form a company and undertake some of the various enterprises, and once get it afoot, hence business and wealth are the true solution of the Negro problem.

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CHAPTER XI—RECAPITULATORY.

As is elsewhere recorded, my master took me into the rebel army for safe keeping, and my first observation and experience with organized slave oligarchy was in a little town about twelve miles from home named Milton. Here we entered the picket line of the rebel army, and the men who fought with Morgan, Forrest and Phillips were adventurous and daring fellows. This town, Milton, has since then become famous for lynching Negroes. We left Milton, passed through Woodbury and in the evening entered the camp of Captain Phillips. This command was known as Phillip's Battalion. I cooked and waited upon my master and Captain Phillips also. Some few of Captain Phillip's men I knew, but the members of the other battalions I did not know. This was at a time when the masters could not do much to protect their slaves, and they feared they were about to lose all of them.

GEORGE L. KNOX.

Day after day went on. Evenings, after I had gotten through with my work, I would take a walk around camp to see what was going on. The rebels at this time were very rough, swearing and cursing at every Negro they thought would be glad to leave them to go to the yankees. They went out one day and captured some Union soldiers, and with them were a couple of colored men. Of course the rebels were very rough to these fellows because they felt they had been trying to get away from them. In order to save themselves from being severely punished, they declared they had been taken away from the rebels against their wishes by the yankees. I was talking with them one day, and asked them what kind of a time they had while with the yankees. They said they had a very good time and that the yankees were in favor of giving us our freedom. I asked them if they liked it well enough to go back again. They said the first chance they got, they expected to. I would see them every day and we would talk over the situation. The rebels asked them if they liked to be with them; they replied yes, and insisted they did not want to get away; however the first opportunity that presented itself they made their escape.

We could see the Union troops in camp upon the top of the hill. The rebels were all the time cursing and swearing the yankees would not fight. One day about 12 o'clock, General Wheeler and his staff came by and stopped at headquarters, and talked awhile. Of course, everybody who could stood around him to get a view of the great Southern General, of whom they had heard so much. I felt very low in spirits that day and did not care to see him myself, but the other colored boys went to see him. He was dressed in grand military elegance, and the boys talked about his manners, soldierly air, etc.

Every day the "Rebs" would send out "foragers," but as the Union troops had passed through this part of the country, it had made provisions very scarce. I was still lonely, and would, whenever I had the opportunity, seek the two colored men, who were laying plans to escape to the yankees. I and the colored men had a talk one evening and they thought they would go on that night, and so they did. The next morning when the roll was called, they came up missing. The "Rebs" then declared that they would never let another "nigger" go that had once been with the yankees. This occurrence made them very angry and abusive to those who did not go. They felt that their colored men were not as safe as they should be. A few more days the Union troops moved on the rebel forces. The attack was rather unexpected, and if you ever saw an excited troop of soldiers it was those rebels. They were very much excited and feared being captured. That however, was my greatest desire. I reasoned this way: If I were captured and taken away by the yankees, and not satisfied, I could come back and the rebels would have nothing against me.

The fight did not last more than half a day, but the Union soldiers were driven back. The rebels felt sure and always believed that those two colored men who had escaped, carried the news to the Union army and gave them information as to how strong they were. It was a cavalry fight on the "bushwacking" order—fight and then run away. If a rebel soldier saw a colored man have on a good hat and he had an old one, he would drive up and take it off of his head, throw his old hat at him and gallop away. After one month's experience in the rebel army I left it.

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St. Paul's New Pastor.

Mineola, Tex., Special.

Times are very hard in this part of the country. People can get work to do, but little money for it. Miss Maria Turner was in the city this week. Rev. R. F. Taylor of Tyler, will be the pastor for the St. Paul Baptist church this year. The Freeman is for sale every Saturday by Sandy Anderson—or $1,00 a year till March 1st.

Mystic Shrine Rise.

Lexington, Mo., Special.

The A. A. O. of the Mystic Shrine takes another rise, and yet they haven't learned whether the sign is in shrine goat or the Arabian horse. They brought their camel with them. Noble Peter Harris, 33 degree, Special Imperial Deputy Grand Potentate of the A. A. O., of Nobles of Mystic Shrine of Free Masonry for North and South America, and Deputy for Missouri, with the assistance of Noble M. W. Love, 33d degree, Special Deputy Grand Potentate for Missouri, arrived here on the above date, being in possession of patents of authority eminating from the G. O. A N. T. B. B., formed and planted Fez Temple of the Mystic Shrine of Free Masonry, and the following Nobles were duly elected and installed: Noble Geo. W. Jones, Illinois, Grand Potentate; Noble Henry Hall, Illinois, Chief Rabban; Noble R Waters, Illinois, Ass't Rabban; Noble Alex. Williams, Illinois, H, P. and P.; Noble Henry Calley, Illinois, Oriental Guide; Noble A. B. Johnson, Illinois, organist; Noble Abram Lindsay, Illinois, Grand Treasurer; Noble Prof. G. H. Green, Illinois, Grand Recorder; Noble John Hayden, Illinois, Cer. Master; Noble Jackson Arnold, outside guard.

Meeting of the "Philomantheans."

Wilberforce University Special.

The society of inquiry on missions met on last Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock. Remarks were made by Rev. J. P. Maxwell. President S T. Mitchell read from the monthly report of the American Missionary Society. Mr. W. S. Blackburn, a former student of the University, has just returned from Chicago. The first public meeting of the Philomanthean Literary Society was held Thursday evening of last week in the upper chapel. Motto: Dux Femina facti. Officers: Miss Marie G. Taylor, president; Miss Gene Ballard, secretary. Greeting by Miss Ella Roberson; critic, Bertha Cowans; quartette, "Friendship, Love and Song," Misses Marie Taylor, Cora McKnight, Katie Blackburn, and Ada Gaines; oration, "There Shall be no Alps," Miss Ursie Walker: recitation, "Her Letter," Miss Leah Farris; duett, Misses Edemonia Randolph and Katie Blackburn; paper, Mrs. E. A, Albert; budget, Miss Ruth Ada Gaines. The productions were well rendered.

On Saturday evening Prof. W. E. B. Dubois, Miss E. L. Jackson, lady principal, and many students attended the concert given in Xenia by the Canadian Jubilee Singers. Prof. F. Weaver is visiting friends in Columbus, O. The trustees of Trinity A. M. E. Church contemplate erecting a chapel for religious worship on the south side of the campus. Rev. R. C. Ransom, B. D., pastor of St. John's A. M. E. Church, will lecture in Xenia on the 26th inst. Tuesday, Feb. 12, Rev. McCauly, of Dayton, State president of the Y. P. S. C. E., addressed the Christian Endeavor Society in the upper chapel at 7:30 p. m, Prof. W. S. Scarborough was invited to attend the Lincoln banquet at Cincinnati on the 12th, given in memory of President Lincoln's birthday. He had also been selected as one of the orators for the occasion.

Publication day will be observed on the 17th. The Chivalric club met Saturday evening. Mr. James Bolden visited Xenia last Saturday evening

Died Almost Instantly.

Varner, Ark., Special.

P. A. Brison is able to be out again. Mrs. M. J. Hawkins and Mrs. Haseltine Pope are improving. Prof. C. W. Webb, of Grady, was in the city on the 2d, inst. Prof. A. C. Carver is teaching school at Auburn, Ark. S. B. Taylor went to Pine Bluff, on the 30th, ult., to attend the funeral of his sister, Laura Winston, who died almost instantly on the 29th, ult. Mrs. Winston, whose home was formerly at this place, was a member of Bethel A. M. E. church, She moved to Pine Bluff two years ago, where she lived until her death Mrs. Winston leaves a husband and four children. Miss Adline Epps has moved to Memphis, Tenn. F. D. Granger (white) speaks highly of The Freeman.

Made the White Folks Change Coaches.

Evansville, Ind., Special.

Mr. Gus Carter, barber, was again burnt out. Last Wednesday afternoon about 4:30 p. m., Rev. W. H. Anderson united in mariage. Henry E. Hill and Anna B. Haidin. Both parties were from Henderson where they intend to make their future home. The Odd Fellows will have their annual sermon the first Sunday in next month (March). Mrs. Alex Berry died last Monday the 4th. The funeral services were held at the Liberty Baptist Church under the auspices of Rev. Rouse. After gaining the suit against the L. and N. and its separate coach law in Owensboro, Rev. Anderson boarded a train en route to Evansville, and upon going into the white coach, the conductor, who could not compell him to go into the separate coach was ordered by the superintendent to have the whites go into the separate coach and leave Anderson alone, in their coach (the whites) Homer Jones, proprietor of the Soup House, knocked Frank Williams in the head with a clever, fracturing the skull. Done in self defense. Rev. J. D. Rouse held sacremental services last Sunday. The severe cold weather last Friday caused the public schools to be dismissed. Mr. N. Keay and Miss Nancy Letcher were married last Friday.

Baby Burned to Death,

Logansport, Ind., Special.

A very sad accident happened in the family of Mr and Mrs. Joseph Malone last week. Inez, their infant daughter, was burned to death by accident. Mr. Richard Johnson was brought home from Chesterton Ind., last week. His feet has been so badly frozen that amputation is necessary. Mr. Arnell Burton, of Marion, was in the city last week Mrs. Mary Garrett, of Indianapolis, is in the city visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. Jones. Mrs. Thomas Asworth is on the sick list. Mr. Elwood Winslow has suffered a relapse. The revivals have closed at the A. M. E. church. The Dumo Social Club gave a very pleasant surprise on Miss Etta Pryor last Tuesday in honor of her birthday. Mr. George Blanks has a position at Parker's barber shop. Mr. George Chatman has returned to Lafayette.

A Sleighing Party.

Niagara Falls, Special.

A sleigh ride party gotten up by the young people of the Canadian and American sides of the river went down to the Royal Hotel Tuesday night the 29th where they enjoyed a pleasant evening dancing and singing. Music was furnished by the Niagara Falls quartette, after which a sumptuous repast was served by the proprietors, H. Fayette and son. I imagine they sang, "We won't go home until morning." as I heard some left at 6 and some at 7 o'clock. Miss Alice Leonard of Lockport was the guest of the Misses Johnson of Ashland avenue for a few days. Walter Hodge of Buffalo avenue is doing a good business.

DEFEATED BY A NOVICE!

"Jim" Johnson, the "Newspaper Champion" Whipped

In Three Minutes—Captain Cook Talks of the "Harlem Coffee Cooler"—John L. at the Empire.

The six-round bout between Peter Maher, and "Jim" Hall will take place in Philadelphia Feb. 23.

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Peter Jackson says he is willing to fight Charley Mitchell in the National Sporting Club London, for $5,000 a side.

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The members of the Herculean Club of this city, will organize a ball club this season and play the different clubs throughout the State.

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"Bobby" Dobbs who was seen here last season with Dan Creedon's Athletic Combination is matched to fight Jack Everhart in Boston the later part of this month.

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Ed. Washington, "the monkey faced boy" and clog dancer, was awarded the first prize at the Empire Theatre last week, being the best ameturer performer.

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Archie Greathouse, proprietor of the Avenue Exchange, has three promising three year olds that will cause the knowing ones to look wise in the near future.

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Catcher Ed. Boland, of last year's St. Joseph team, is in the city. His friends wants manager Watkins to give him a trial. He is said to be a good man behind the bat, as well as a good striker.

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Frank Craig, the "Harlem Coffee Cooler," says that if he is successful in his coming battle with Frank Slavin he will agree to make a match with Peter Maher, to take place in May.

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John L. Sullivan, the ex-champion pugilist, closed a weeks engagement at the Empire Theatre in this city last Saturday night. He still thinks he can fight, and will challenge the winner of the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight.

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Fred Schaub, who used to catch Amos Russie, the crack pitcher of the National League, when he was playing on the local grounds, has been signed by Billy Sharsig, who managed the local club last year, to catch for Hazelton, of the Pennsylvania State League.

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The National League season of 1895 will open on Thursday, April 18, as follows: Chicago at St. Louis, Cleveland at Cincinnati and Pittsburg at Louisville, Philadelphia at Washington, Baltimore at New York and Brooklyn at Boston. The Louisville assign ment for the Pittsburg club is somewhat of a bitter pill, as both St. Louis and Pittsburg have both been pulling strong to have the pirates open in the Mound City, but they could scarcely hope for two years in succession. The Spiders going to Cincinnati is owning to the influence of Brush, who for years has asked that Cleveland be given him as a drawing card.

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"Jim" Johnson, late of this city, but who now claims Cincinnati as his home, proved himself to be the biggest "windbag" and counterfeit pugilist on Monday night January 5th, before The Fair Play Athletic Club of that city as have ever been known in the annals of local pugilism, winding up his miserable ring career in a most inglorious manner. None of the evidence of Johnson's ring progress ever cut much of a figure, but just how "Jim" remembers the names and details of all the fights recorded in his long list of ring successes is perhaps only known to "Jim." Our friend who now claims Cincinnati as his home has never done anything in the way of warfare since his residence in that city except in the newspapers. He had promised so much in "cold type," and did so little of the "real thing" that when he was matched to fight Mark Carroll, of Cincinnati, everybody was anxious to see what he would do.

The alleged middle weight champion of three states, who according to his own newspaper record, has made two draws with Dan Creedon, the Australian pugilist, and stood eight rounds in front of the great Peter Jackson, was defeated in just three minutes and a half by a novice, who until that time had never put up his hands in a regulation ring.

Yes, the hero of fifty "newspaper" battles, the man who has worn holes in every newspaper office stairway where he was located, by carrying up bluff challenges and cheap puff for himself, was whipped in less than two rounds by Mark Carroll, a man with no record at all. There is no disgrace in honest defeats, but the world has no use for "quitters" Johnson was not only defeated but was disgraced, for he allowed himself to be counted out when he could have gotton to his feet. A big crowd witnessed the defeat of the newspaper champion and at the close they hooted, hissed and jeered the defeated man until the walls rang again and again.

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Although Frank Craig, the "Harlem Coffee Cooler," was knocked out in Boston by Peter Maher, most spectators of the bout valued Craig no less in defeat than in victory. They held to Craig after the reverse, I believe, in many instances more strongly than before because they believe that Maher was in the biggest sort of luck to win, says Captain Cook, the great pugilistic writer. Faith in Craig is deep set and strong in the hearts of ring followers in England just now, and in challenging Peter Jackson, the Harlem boy seeks the public judgement upon his merits in the boldest undertaking of his career, While Bob Fitzsimmons has made Jackson the sole exception among fighters whom he challenges, Craig singles out Jackson, and calls him to do battle. Jackson has, it is announced, accepted with true spirit Craig's defiance, and, when "Parson" Danvies gets across the pond again, the two star colored boxers of the world are likely to take an appeal from the newspaper talk to the twenty-four-foot ring, whose Court is always open, and whose judgement upon men's claim and pretensions are not to be questioned except by new tests in the ring. Craig witnessed an apparent condemnation of his rashness in tackling big heavy-weights when Maher beat him, but he has gained weight since then, and his successes againts all comers in England have brought to his standard money backers with good sums to wager that defeat does not come to him at the hands of Jackson. Of the fitness of Jackson to-day for hard finish fight, there is, I believe, some question. The readiness of Craig and his supporters to match with him is hardly to be accounted for except upon the theory that Jackson's power has wanted, and that he has, like Sullivan taken as much out of himself in his ways of life that he is ripe for shaking out of the top of the tree. Jackson has never lacked courage to encounter a challenger, and like every unbeaten old timer, he now argues to himself, of course, that nothing can stand in the way of his continuing to triumph.

Well, if we were to strike from the history of pugilism all that has turned out different from the general expectations of ring-goers, and all the capsizes of tip toppers by aspiring new men, we shouldn't have much left that would be readable. Jackson is to be commended for realizing that it devolves upon him to fight his challengers or to yield. His is the responsibility and the peril of a champion. A pugilist in his position in England cannot keep his name and title unsullied and ignore a challenger who comes for him money in hand. He must stand to guns over there, and show no inaction or evasion. There are those, of course, who will assert that all fears for the fate of Jackson at the hands or Craig are groundless, but it should be borne in mind that the conditions with respect to two rivals for fistic honors are never the same at one time as at another time. Craig two years ago aganist Jackson could, perhaps, have accomplished nothing, and yet next summer, with Jackson gone behind while Craig has been coming, Jackson might not be able to block Craig's way or even give him a hard argument. Jackson's past is secure and its glories cannot be dimmed, but it is of no service to him in new contests. It does not avail him, either, to have his supporters argue that Craig is rash and presumptuous. Positive purpose to fight cannot be met except by positive performance. Prompt action is the test of good faith and capacity in pugilism; and procrastination, such as has been the most manifest feature of late in our championship pugilism in America, is a sure proof of insincerity and infirmity. We cannot do less than honor Jackson if he acts upon his belief that Craig is no match for him, and that he can prove him a very swell-headed and misguided upstart.

Late Literary News.

General Lord Wolseley makes a most important contribution to the literature of the China Japan war In an article for the February Cosmopolitan, he discusses the situation and does not mince matters in saying what China must do in this emergency. Two other noted foreign authors contribute interesting articles to this number. Rosita Mauri, the famous Parisian danseuse, gives the history of the ballet, and Emile Ollivier tells the story of the fall of Louis Philippe From every part of the world, drawings and photographs have been obtained of the instruments used to torture poor humanity, and appear as illustrations for a clever article, by Julian Hawthorne, entitled, "Salvation via the Rack" Mrs. Reginald de Koven, Anatole France, W. Clark Russell, Albion W. Tourgee, and William Dean Howells are among the story tellers for the February number of The Cosmopolitan.

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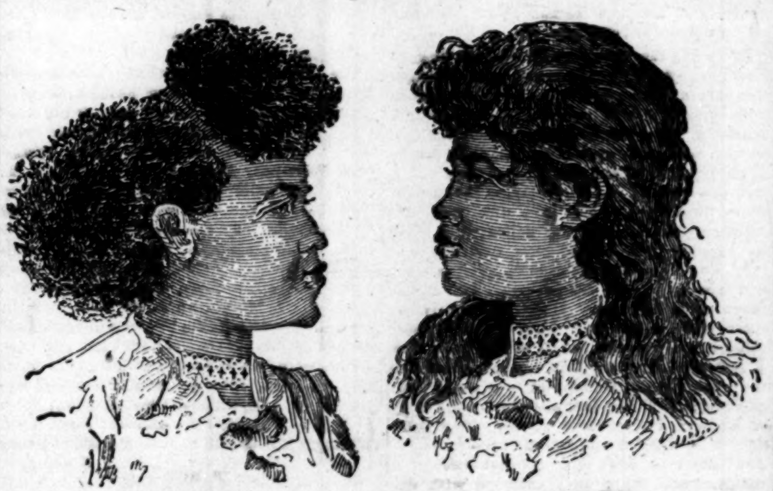

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A NEGRO PROBLEM, AND

Some Factors in its Solution—A Paper Read Before

The Epworth League at Ebenezer M. E. Church, Jacksonville, Fla., Jan. 13, '95
By Rev. Cæsar A. A. Taylor, D. D.

[CONCLUDED FROM LAST WEEK.]

In Marysville, Cal., twelve Negroes own ranches valued at $180,000, besides large bank accounts. Twenty seven Negroes in Missouri own $1,000,000, in amounts of from $20,000 to $500,000. In Georgia the race owns over $18 000,000. The largest tin manufactory in Alabama is owned by F. Gomex & Sons, Negroes. In Nashville, Tenn., and elsewhere we own and operate broom factories. At Xenia, O., a Mr. Louden did own a shoe factory. I, with several others, own a town named in honor of a Negro, while personally I own valuable western lands. The great bridges across the Chattahoochee river at Columbus, Ga., and Eufala, Ala., were designed and constructed by Philip King, a Negro of Montgomery, Ala, where R. N. Dorsett, M. D., owns Dorsett's Block, a four-story brick block, with stores, offices and halls. Dorsett's own drug store is as fine as any in the city, and employs three Negro graduate pharmacists. T. B. Barron, in the same city, conducts a fine cafe, and owns twelve cabs, hacks, buggies, etc.

Here in Jacksonville the Jones and the Lancaster blocks, both brick, were owned and recently sold by their owners, who were Negroes. The Geter Bros. also own a brick block and more in this city. At Appalachicola, Fla., the finest and only first-class commercial hotel is owned by Spartan Jenkins, a Negro. Elijah McCoy, of Detroit, Mich., has twenty-eight patents. Isaiah C. Wears, at Philadelphia, Pa., has bought a house every year for twenty years past. John McKee, a Negro in the same city, owns 400 houses and other property, worth in all over half a million dollars. Several Negroes have recently died and left more than $1,000,000 to charitable purposes. In South Carolina Negroes own $6,000,000 in town and city property and $4,000,000 in farms and live stock.

Just in proportion as our people cease squandering money in cake-walks, balls and other degenerating extravagances, and instead invest their means in railroad stock and in constructing and equipping roads of their own, the "jim crow" car evil will more rapidly disappear. All honor to the courageous white men in the South Carolina Senate who recently defeated the "separate coach" bill passed by the House in that State. Even as South Carolina led in the attempt at nullification and a dissolution of the Union, it to-day leads in the movement to bring the South in line with the Nation's higher sense of honor, while Louisiana leads in placing a premium upon adultery and concubinage by the Legislature in that State recently passing the infamous miscegenation and separate coach bills.

Our people evince their susceptability to unity of action, and their confidence in honest, capable leadership by subscribing to build churches. Likewise they can, and are being led to do in other lines of progress whatever other races are doing. This is seen in Winston's Co-operative Building Association at Natchez, Miss.: the True Reformers' Hall, stores, bank and building loan enterprise at Richmond, Va.; the Gallileean Fisherman, at Baltimore, Md.; Negro Masonic, Oddfellows, Pythian and other fraternities, which are erecting halls with offices and stores to rent. The Eastern Star at Baltimore, Md., and the Pythians here in Jacksonville, among our race, have just dedicated such halls—fine, palatial, three-story bricks, with stores beneath, Thirty years ago we had none of these things, which to-day are mighty factors lifting us. All who do not know it, have got to learn that when the Negro race was emancipated in 1865, there was need for no further legislation than that declaring us citizens, and I go further and emphasize, that one of the best things done in this country recently was the repeal of the national federal election laws, for a law which does not secure the results for which it was enacted, is ineffective, and had as well not been enacted. Such a law was the national federal election laws, for they never did secure to the Negro as a citizen protection in casting a fair vote and securing an honest count. And be it known, that the non-enforcement of the national election laws but evidenced the weakness or venality of the boasting American nation. It also evidences the need to educate a healthy public opinion among certain persons opposing the Negro. But amid it all the Negro is planting himself deep and irresistably upon this continent, and especially in this Southland, developed by the unrequited toil of our fathers and watered by their tears and blood, and being made to bloom and blossom by the present generation. Yes, thank heaven and our own indomitable will and irrepressible powers, we are now milking the cow of progress and enterprise, whereas thirty years ago we fed said cow for others to milk. In politics we have held and are holding more than our per capita share in high offices of trust and emolument. In the church, in art, in science and in literature we have outstripped our opportunities. Bishop Turner is a great man, and has proven himself such through the opportunities here afforded. Now, let other Negroes do likewise, and those who cannot do it in this country cannot do it in Africa or elsewhere. I shall go to Africa again when I choose, but wherever I be I shall live like a man, and if need be I will die as a man.

Laborers are abundant and their hire is cheap in Africa, hence it is the place where unprincipled speculators with capital can increase their cash employing cheap labor, but the poor man without money cannot go to Africa and live in competition with the acclimated and hardy native African, whose labor is secured for almost nothing. All agitation looking toward African emigration is hurtful to our highest and best interests, in that it creates a restless, unsettled state of mind among our people, impeding their wonderful progression by preventing them from saving their means, acquiring property and engaging in general business enterprise. Let us repudiate such agitation, and continue progressing, for the world hears afar off the muffled thunderous reverberations of the onward march of a mighty rival yet in its earliest infancy. Yes, we are coming over the hills of ignorance and oppression, and demonstrating to the ill-informed world that merit is the source of life, through the fiercest earthly strife; that sterling merit brings him safe, whom the gods such a boon vouchsafe; that since first Africa was known, many a nation has been overthrown; in oblivion's sea has died, all unfit to stem the tide; but since Africa arose, on the American continent her success confounds her foes; watchful, fathful true and pure, she must evermore endure.

Church Dedication.

St. Joseph, Mo., Special.

The new A. M. E Church had her grand rally and dedication Sunday week, Bishop James A. Handy, of the Fifth Episcopal district, being present. We raised for the day $300. Rev. Peck, Sr, of Baltimore, Md., and our pastor, A. J. Peck, Jr., were present and assisted. The choir rendered good music. We have the best choir in this district, with B. A. Perkins as leader; also the finest church. The trustees are A. J. Peck, pastor, J. A. Indicutt, J. H. Sims, J. A. Matlock, G. W. Washington, J. H. Evans, James Bell, Sam Stanton, Davie Edwards, A. Morton.

Miss Lizzie Johns, of Brookfield, Mo., is visiting her sister, Miss Ida Johns. At the party given at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Gross, those present were J. A. Marsell, William Whitsey, Robert Jackson, J. H. Evans, Florence Thomas, Sadie Hicks, Ida Johns and Lizzie Johns. Rev. Choran, of Oxford, Miss, filled the pulpit for Rev. Choran, of the Francis street Baptist Church on Sunday evening of last week. The Lincoln school was dedicated with quite an interesting program. J. A. Indicutt is the principal. Mr. and Mrs. H H. Walker, head waiter at the Pacific House, attended the dedication services.

Quarterly Meeting Well Attended.

Jeffersonville, Ind., Special.

Last Sunday week was quarterly meeting at the A. M. E. Church. It was quite well attended by the members and friends. There were a large number of visitors from New Albany and Louisville. Rev C. C. Townsend, of New Albany, preached an able and eloquent sermon at 3 p. m. About seventy persons communed and a spiritually good meeting was had. The collections of the day were $17 55; total for the quarter $115. Rev. H. H. Thompson, who has recently succeeded Rev. I. Bass as presiding elder, was with us from Friday until Monday. His many friends were glad to welcome him back to the old field of labor. Rev. Thompson informed the writer that so far as he has gone he has found the work of the district in a prosperous condition and the brethren cheerful.

Rev. John Ferguson, of Charlestown, Ind., was in the city this week, the guest of Rev. W. H. Taylor and family. A series of meetings are in progress at the Baptist Church, and considerable interest is being manifested.

Personal Mention.

Monmouth, Ill., Special.

Last Sabbath week was quarterly meeting for the A. M. E's. The young people of the Second Baptist church organized a Bible class the 27 ult. The following officers were elected, president, Miss Ella Wallace; vice president, Miss Sada Thomas; secretary, Mrs. E. F. Madison; treasurer, Miss Etta Carroll; chorister, Miss Hessie Carroll; organist, Miss Hattie Madison and Bessie Wallace. Mrs. R. L. Wallace is some what indesposed.

Conan Doyle on America.

Conan Doyle's impressions of the literary phases of American life are to appear in the next issue of The Ladies' Home Journal. The article was originally intended to be the novelist's impressions of American women, but this plan was altered and the article to be printed in the Journal will give Dr. Doyle's ideas of "Literary Aspects of America."

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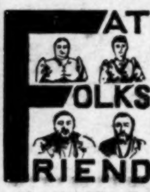

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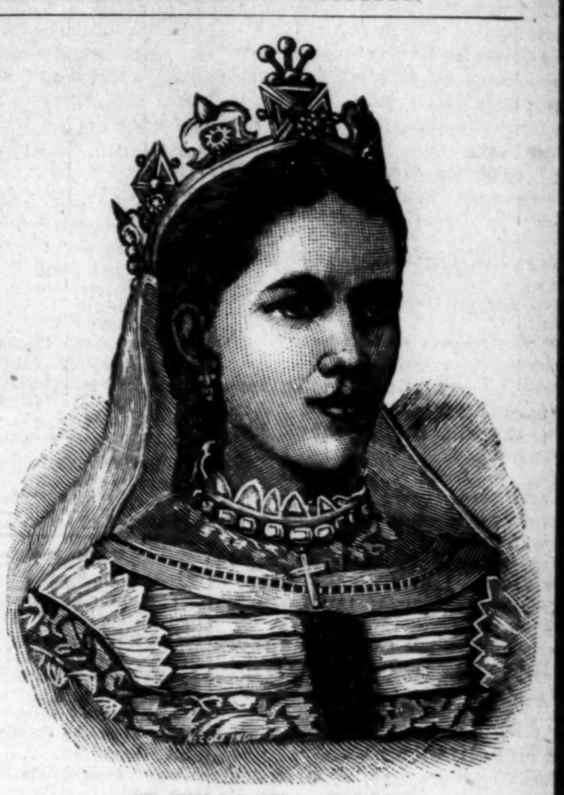

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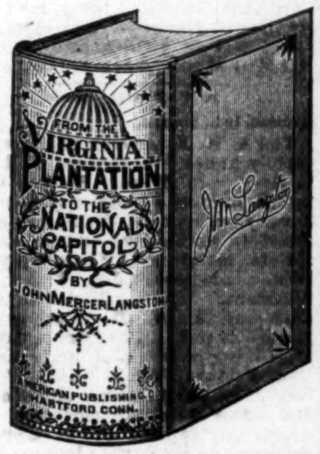

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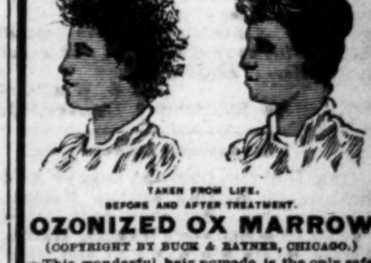

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Wayman Thompson has returned to Chicago.

Miss Maggie Hart is visiting in Cincinnati, O.

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Chas. Love, of North Indianapolis, is quite ill.

The Freewill Baptist church has a new pastor.

Miss Minnie Garrett, of Logansport, is living here.

Quarterly meeting at Bethel A. M. E. last Sunday.

Mrs. Mary Hodgens is visiting in New Albany, Ind.

Mrs. Mamie Collins, 137 Massachusetts avenue, is ill.

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Prof. Mitchel, of Wilberforce, filled the pulpit at Allen Chapel on last Sunday evening.

Jos. L. Simmons, of Martinsville, spent a few days in the city last week visiting relatives.

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Miss Bertha Smith gave an evening party to a number of her friends at her residence, 334 Cedar street.

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The Lincoln League.

The Indiana Lincoln League held its annual meeting at the Masonic Hall Tuesday. Speeches were made by Congressmen elect Watson, Hardy, Farris, Hanly Ninth, Hatch and Geo W. Steele. Miss Viola Johnson, of Madison, was present by invitation and opened the meeting by song, receiving great applause. The meeting concluded with the famous song "Swanee River" sung by Miss Johnson with splendid effect

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Newport, Ark., Special.

Rev. G D P. Rucker, P. E, is with us. Rev. N. L. Jackson of Jacksonport was in the city Saturday, also Prof. H. H. Sutton, Messrs. Wm. Warren and Calvin Williams of Post Oak. Rev J. T. Shields passed through the city last week en route to Memphis, Tenn. Prof. H H. Steele has returned to the city. Miss Ivy McDonald has returned from Walnut Ridge. F. A Parker made a flying trip to Knobie last week. Rev. Mrs. Mamie Johnson wife of Rev T. L. Johnson of St. Paul A. M. E church, arrived in the city last Thursday. Robert Watton of Post Oak was in the city Monday. The members of the A. M. E. church "stormed" Rev. T L. Johnson at the parsonage Monday night. He gratefully received the many gifts, and thanked the party in a fitting and appropriate speech. Jessie Taylor is convalescing. Mrs. Ella Lewis is reported very ill. Chas W. Davis has returned from Pocahontas. Miss Ida Curry left last Thursday for Little Rock. The Relief Society have installed the following officers: Mrs. Fannie Chatman, president; Mrs. Sue Youdalls vice president; Mrs. Mary Alexander, treasurer; Miss Julia Kegler, secretary; Mss. Ella Lewis assist secretary. Mrs Mary Robinson s on the sick list.

White Ministers Preach.

Wyoming, O., Special.

The choir at Bethel A. M. E. church has re-organized with the following members: Mrs. Luella Lee, Miss M Smith, Miss Alice Poston, Mrs. Mary James and Messrs. M. Murry, Robt. Oglesby, James Owens Henry Johnson, and Miss A. Gray. White ministers from Carthage, Mt. Pleasant, and Hamilton, O., preached at the Maple street Christian church during the revival. Examination was held last week at the public school Missionary day at Bethel A. M. E. church last Sunday; program was excellent. Mrs. Casy is sick. Lockland U D. F No. 2 will soon be established in their new headquarters on Wyoming and Locust streets. Misses Naomi Bates and Henrietta Hunt celebrated their birthdays last week. There will be a literary club organized here soon Thos. Hunt of Winston Place, O, was the guest of M. A. Hunt last Sunday. There will be a young men's debating club organized here soon. Master Robert F. Oglesby spent last Saturday in Cincinnati. Miss Hattie Hill of Cincinnati was the guest of her sister Mrs. Willie Hill. Feb. 24th will be observed as Christian Endeavor day by the Maple street Christian Endeavor.

Annual Sermon.

Muncie, Ind., Special.

Mrs. W. Freeman has returned from Arcadia Mrs. Mattie Boyer is ill. S Moore is ill. Mrs. Maggie Coleman is better. Herman Frazier fell and broke an ankle. Miss Lee Woods has returned from Arcadia. Mrs. Lizzie Ellison has returned from Arcadia. Louis Gateskill had a runaway; hurt badly. Mrs. Lizzie Gateskill is on the sick list. Mrs. W. Strowters is better. B. Cottman is very ill. Mrs. Dena Benison and son have returned from Urbana, O. Miss Anna Furgerson is in the city to stay. J Booth has returned from Chicago. Mr. and Mrs. Kelly's baby is better. The Odd Fellows will have their annual sermon preached by H. Stewart the first Sunday in March. Mrs. T. Thornton is in the city this week. Bob Jones met with a painful accident. Sick: Mrs. Dora Patterson, Mrs. E. Mann and George Gilmore. Mr. Bell and Rob Jones had a rush last week. Miss Lizzie Hoyle is back from Anderson. Will Reed has been sick for a long time Mr. Henry has been sick. Mrs John Spane was in Anderson. Sam Bolton and Miss Minnie Davis are better.

A. C. E. Organized.

Madison, Ind., Special.

The A M. E. church is progressing rapidly under the charge of Rev. N L. Bray. A Young Peoples' Christian Endeavor Society was organized Sunday with a membership of twenty. Fourteen were active and six were associate members. Harry Bray was elected president; Jos. Foster, vice-president. Harry Bray has united with the A M E church. Wm. Simms is sick. The Broadway high school organized a Library Association Friday. John Dabner, "Uncle John," one of Madison's oldest colored men, died Saturday morning J C Allen is "ice bound" at Carrolton. Some one in Madison is lonesome.

Society Flashes.

Caldwell, Tenn., Special.

To-night at Mullins' Chapel, a grand supper by the Daughters of Conference. Mrs. Lettie Williams has a very sick baby. A. F. Phillips, son of Abraham Phillips, is very sick at this writing. Miss Addie Phillips spent last Friday with Mrs. Virginia Moore Mrs Hattie Arnold is some better. H C. Coble is ill. Thos. Moore took a flying trip to Wartrace last Friday. Mesdames Virginia Moore and Lizzie Mullins spent Saturday evening with Mr and Mrs. Amasa Phillips. Mrs. Mattie Mullins dined with her sister, Mrs. Leathey Bomar, the 7th, inst.

Rifts in the Social Skies.

Paducah, Ky., Special.

The Sylvester concert Feb 25th promises to be a brilliant affair Among the late deaths here are Misses Ellen Pettit, Hattie Lee, and Uncle Jerry Saunders. The entertainment on the 4th at Odd Fellows' Hall given by Rising Star Juvenile Temple U B F. was a success Thos. Glass formerly of this city has moved his family to St Louis where he will in the future reside. Louis Proctor has been re-engaged as porter at Dubois and Co's. drug store. The Freeman is for sale every Saturday by Minor Bradshaw, 419 Jackson street.

Wedding Bells.

Providence, Ky, Special.

Our farmers have not been able to get their tobacco to market as yet. Mrs John Jinkin is slowly improving from her illness Mrs Alice Jinkin is considerably better Manuel Williams is no better, nor Abe Woodfork. David Louis and Miss Rachel Jenkin were married.

Personal Mention.

Kuttawa, Ky., Special.

Mrs. Henry Steele, of Paducah, is visiting here this week Mrs. Mary Holland has returned to Kansas. Miss Carrie Coleman left for Chicago, on the 8th.

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Ida B Wells Their Guest.

Riverside, Cal., Special.

Last week will probable be quoted the gayest of the winter. Miss Ida B. Wells was with us recently. Rev. C. W. H. Nelson filled the pulpit at the A. M. E. church, while Rev. G. W. Newby at the Baptist church. Rev. A. Simpson was at Redland. Rev. J. R. Seagraves is proving himself to be quite a theologian. Mrs. Simpsom, Mrs. King, and Mr. Epps, have recovered from their recent illness. J. C. Carter has gone to Los Angeles. S. B. Carr made a flying trip to Perris Heuit and San Jacinta, The Ladies' Home Missionary society elected its officers for the ensuing year as follows: Mrs. P. E. Edward, president; Mrs. Burk, vice-president; Mrs. N. Crosler, treasurer; Mrs. A. Simpson, secretary. Mrs. Frank H. Johnson threw her doors open to her music class at 556 E. Ninth street. Program: "Maggie May," Katie Cromine; "Melli Bell Waltz," Ida King; "Grand Mother's Dream," May Carter; "Waves of Ocean," Grace Tilden; "Coming Through," duet, piano and violin, Mr. Daniel and Grace Tilden; "Dream of Rousseau," D. Tilden; "I know that my Redeemer Lives," piano and flute, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Johnson; "Pretty Polly," solo, Mary Carter; "Moonlight on the Hudson," Mrs. Johnson; "Home Sweet Home," piano solo, Hattie Cronin; "Praise Him," piano, flute and violin, D. Tilden, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Johnson; "Nightingale Echo Song," Mr. and Mrs. Johnson; "Silvery Waves," Mary Carter; "God be with us Till we Meet Again," Mrs. F. H. Johnson.

C. M. E. Quarterly Conference.

Toronto, Ark., Special.

Mrs C. Paschal came up from Douglass, where she had been teaching school. Mrs. Selena Williams of Varner was the guest of Mrs. Anna Dickerson. Clinton Paschal made a flying business trip to Varner. Rev. G. M. Mitchell attended the C. M. E. quarterly conference. The Sunday school at Allen Chapel A. M. E. church is a success. Miss Delphia Hardie was baptized at Allen Chapel A. M, E. church Sunday, Feb. 3rd. Mr and Mrs. A. C. Hough passed through the city on the 6th en route to Pine Bluff on business also to visit friends. Amos Morgan was in the city on the 7th. Rev. S. H. Winstead, the missionary of the St. Marion Association of the Sunday school work is doing good work at Mt. Zion church.

Elected Officers.

Clayton, Ala., Special.

Jones' Chapel A. M. E. Sunday-school has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Glasgow Clayton, superintendent; J. L. F. Maddox, assistant superintendent; J. D. Bryant, secretary; Miss Classie A. Maddox, assistant secretary; Mrs. N. A. Hart, treasurer; Miss Pinkie Simpkins chorister and librarian. Rev. G. W. Webb preached at the Baptist church on Monday night, Feb, 4. Mrs. Emiline Scott died Thursday, Feb. 7, and was buried Friday. Rev. E. D. Butler preached at the A. M. E. Church Sunday, Feb. 3. The Lord's supper was administered. Mrs Vela Shorter is very sick. The Baptist church is without a pastor. Mrs. Millie James is on the sick list. Rev. Coleman preached at the A M E Church on the 5th.

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